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## OVERVIEW OF THE REMASSEM COURSE

The REMASSEM course was developed and recorded by me (Joseph E. Willis) for the novice assembly language student who wishes to study individually and who has ready access to either a Model I or a Model III TRS-80. The present version of REMASSEM is the second edition for the Model I and the first version for the Model III. Tape-based and diskette-based packages, differing only in the physical media provided, are available for either computer model.

REMASSEM successfully combines several principles of learning into an effective, moderately priced package for learning assembly language by independent study. As you listen to the audio lectures, positive reinforcement for what is being heard is gained by a series of video images brought up by you upon audible cue. Thus, there is positive interaction facilitating comprehension and retention.

### SUMMARY OF THE FEATURES OF THE COURSE:

- \* Ten lectures, averaging more than 40 minutes each, on high-quality audio tapes.
- \* A driver program (BLKBRD) to make the TRS-80 video monitor serve as a "blackboard" for me.

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- \* Display programs for each lecture to provide illustration of pertinent points being discussed in the lecture. These are displayed by BLKBRD.
- \* Step-by-step dissection of complete, stand-alone assembly language programs chosen to be useful in your own programming, as well as to serve as how-to guides for you to study.
- \* Information on how to access and use several powerful ROM routines in your own programs.
- \* A study manual which provides necessary information for efficient study along with documentation materials. A highlight is an extensive description and discussion of a game program, to illustrate relatively advanced assembly language programming techniques.

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## CHAPTER 1 GETTING STARTED

Welcome to the wonderful world of assembly language programming for the TRS-80 Models I and III computers! This chapter will tell you what you need to know to begin study of the course. A suggested study sequence will be given, along with suggestions regarding additional reference materials and software you may wish to acquire to aid in your pursuit of proficiency in assembly language programming.

### MATERIALS PROVIDED WITH THE COURSE

The REMASSEM course materials are housed in an attractive looseleaf binder which also has storage capacity for eight tape cassettes. Included are five C-90 audio cassettes which provide the ten audio lectures. If you have the tape-based version, you will find that the other three cassette slots contain the BLKBRD tape and display tapes which will be used with the audio lectures. There are two copies of each of these digital files on the tapes.

If you have the diskette-based version, you will find a diskette inserted in a plastic sleeve behind this booklet. This contains the BLKBRD program and the display files it uses.

The registration card should be filled out and mailed back to REMsoft at your earliest convenience. This is very important, since you must be a registered owner of REMASSEM before any defective tapes, diskettes, etc., will be replaced. We also may need to send out update information at some time in the future; for this, we will use the list of registered owners.

You should find a couple of "question" sheets inserted into this manual. These are to be used when you have a question pertinent to your study which is not answered anywhere within the course. These questions must be strictly within the scope of the topics covered in REMASSEM! The world of assembly language programming is entirely too large to allow time to answer just ANY question.

The final item provided with REMASSEM is the study manual you are now reading. If any item is missing, please contact the source from whom you purchased the course for prompt replacement. NOTE -- Disregard this notice if this manual is missing, since you cannot read it anyway! Seriously, I want you to have all of the materials available when you start your study, so check your package now.



LOADING INSTRUCTIONS

This section is split into two portions, since the loading procedure is necessarily different for tape-based and disk-based systems. Select the appropriate section and read it thoroughly, so we can get started on your study.

## TAPE SYSTEMS

There are three kinds of cassette tapes included in the course. The first tape of interest is the BLKBRD tape which you must load before each session. This is a SYSTEM tape to be loaded in the usual manner by typing "SYSTEM", typing "BLKBRD" when the prompt appears, and entering "/" after the blackboard program has loaded and the prompt reappears. (Of course, you know that the quotes enclosing the commands shown above are not actually typed.) Remember to press the <ENTER> key after each of the commands. The BLKBRD program loads any of the display tapes for the audio lectures and controls their display. All of the computer-readable tapes are recorded at the standard 500 baud rate, so if you have a Model III, you must select the low cassette rate.

The next tape you should load is the appropriate display file for the session of interest. There are two sessions in each file -- in fact, there is a duplicate file following the first on each side of each cassette. I have heard a rumor that one copy of a program is never enough! Right??

The third type of tape is the audio lecture for the session of interest. If you use the same recorder that you used to load the other tapes into your TRS-80, be sure to unplug the recorder cables so you can hear the lecture.

## DISK SYSTEMS

*REMassem diskette  
has its own backup  
routine!*

Power up your TRS-80 in your normal manner. Place the REMASSEM diskette in drive 0 and press the <RESET> button. The BLKBRD program will be automatically brought into memory and a menu will be displayed. When you select the desired session and press the appropriate key, that display file will be loaded and the first display image will be shown.

It has often been said, "Watch that first step, it's a BIGGIE!" This has never been more true than now. The first step is for you to make at least one complete backup of the REMASSEM diskette. The next step, equally important, is to store the original diskette in a safe place away from all computer gremlins. After using diskettes for



several years, I am convinced that there are few things in God's universe more fragile than a unique diskette! Things seem to go along all right if you have a backup copy. An intelligent person like you does not need a second prompting, right? GOOD!

### BLKBRD COMMANDS

Here are the commands you will find useful to control what is shown on the screen as you listen to the audio tapes:

<B>

Each display file contains screen images for two audio sessions. The <B> key is used to return to the beginning of the first session for the display file you have memory-resident. An easy way to start over if you find your attention wandering!

*back to  
beginning of  
1st of 2  
audio sessions.*

<DOWN ARROW>

Depress the down arrow key to tell your TRS-80 to display the next screen image. To keep what you are seeing in synchronization with what you are hearing, press <DOWN ARROW> each time you hear the "beep" on the audio tape.

*to next  
screen*

<M>

Used whenever you want to bring up a menu of the major topics of discussion in the display file which is currently memory-resident. One use for the <M> key is to allow quick positioning to the start of the second session in each display file. It is also extremely useful when you are resuming your study "mid-lesson" after some hiatus. This function is also useful when you realize that what you are looking at on the screen bears only faint resemblance to what I am saying in the lecture -- this may be either your computer's fault or my fault. We both know it could not possibly be YOUR fault, don't we? When and if this occurs, stop the audio tape, depress the <M> key, select the appropriate subject, and GO, GO, GO! For your convenience, Appendix A of this manual contains a list of the menus.

*session  
to menu*

<F> or <X>

Use either one whenever you wish to load a different display file into memory. This saves you from having to reload the BLKBRD routine each time you want to change to a new session.

*to Main Menu*

SUGGESTED STUDY SEQUENCE

This course is an integrated package of written and audio-visual information which can help you learn assembly language programming on an individual basis, at your own pace. As such, there is much flexibility built into REMASSEM. Although you certainly may "pick and choose" the topics you are most interested in, I feel that your progress will be much faster, with less effort, if you adhere to the following course of study.

1. Read and study Chapter 1 of the manual. Then scan Chapter 2 for just the important concepts. Delay thorough study of Chapter 2 until step 3 below.
2. Thoroughly digest audio lessons 1-5.
3. Study Chapter 2 of the manual and use your assembler to work through all examples.
4. Listen to audio lessons 6 and 7, using Chapter 3 in the manual as suggested in the lectures.
5. Listen to audio lessons 8 and 9, using Chapter 4 in the manual as suggested.
6. Listen to audio lecture 10.
7. Study thoroughly Chapter 5 in the manual, keying in the program and making suggested modifications, etc.
8. Repeat steps 1 through 7 until the desired skill level is reached!

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This documentation was compiled with the help of a TRS-80 and a word-processor program, which is indeed an excellent use of a computer. Without computer assistance, it is likely that this booklet would be much smaller than it is. However, there is a problem!

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#### PERTINENT REFERENCE MATERIALS

To get maximum benefit from this course, I suggest that you obtain and study the following:

##### A. EDITOR/ASSEMBLER

Although I think REMASSEM is a good "stand-alone" course, it can only talk about assembly language programming. You are the one who will have to DO something about assembly language programming. It is up to you, the student, to develop the desired skill by a combination of study and practice. You cannot learn assembly language programming simply by observation -- you must participate!

The first thing you need in order to participate is an editor/assembler program designed for your computer. I give a long recitation in Chapter 2 about assemblers and their characteristics, so I will not say very much here except that assemblers fall into two main categories:

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##### 1. Ordinary (non-macro) assemblers

##### 2. Macro assemblers.

I now want to mention several of the commercial assembler packages available at the time of this writing (mid 1982). I have not had extensive personal experience with all of the packages mentioned, but have had enough comments from friends, students, etc., to be able to provide some perspective for you. Do not consider this list exhaustive; the opinions expressed are largely my own, so blame me if you disagree. Let me know your opinions and experiences with the assembler you choose.



### Ordinary Assemblers

"Series I Editor/Assembler" by Radio Shack is available for both Models I and III in either cassette or disk versions. It is a very good ordinary assembler, although it has no particularly outstanding features in my opinion. On the good side, it is easy to use and has no bugs as far as I know. It is relatively inexpensive and very readily available. I have chosen this assembler for the examples I show in REMASSEM, since it is a typical assembler and should be easily obtainable by anyone having a TRS-80 computer.

"Editor/Assembler-Plus" by Microsoft is available for Models I and III tape- and disk-based systems. I have not used this package personally, but have received good comments from students. It now also has macro capability (in the disk-based version only), so perhaps I should include it under the macro heading as well. Looks good! An outstanding feature is a built-in debug facility. Maybe you are better at it than I, but I need all the help I can get!

The only way I can get my computer to do what I want it to do is to make sure that is also what I have told it to do!

"EDAS 3.5" by MISOSYS is a very sophisticated editor and assembler for both Models I and III, disk systems only. Although it does not support macros, and is thus considered an "ordinary" assembler, it has many of the powerful features of a macro assembler. I am impressed with its list of features, and recommend this one if you have a disk system.

"NEWDOS EDTASM" There is also an editor/assembler contained in the various versions of the NEWDOS disk operating system by Apparat. This assembler is based on the original Radio Shack tape-based EDTASM. No documentation is given except for the enhancements; Apparat states that you must separately purchase the EDTASM from Radio Shack to get the needed documentation and avoid violation of the copyright laws. An outstanding feature of this assembler is that it provides a sorted symbol cross-reference listing. This is very useful with large assembly language programs.

"DISKMOD" by MISOSYS is for the Model I only, and is specifically designed to upgrade the original tape-based EDTASM (from Radio Shack) to a disk-based version, with enhancement of some of the features. If and only if you have a Model I disk system and the original EDTASM will you need (or indeed can you use) this package. If you meet these specs, I suggest you get DISKMOD. I have used this extensively for years and particularly like the sorted symbol table listing and the capability of moving source lines around in the program. Both of these features help you keep the source code organized.



### Macro Assemblers

Radio Shack offers a macro assembler for Model I disk only. The package was developed by Microsoft and appears identical to that offered for some time under the Microsoft name. It appears that Radio Shack will offer a macro assembler for both Models I and III as part of their announced "assembly language development system", but I have not seen it yet. Perhaps by the time you are reading this, it will be available.

As I mentioned above, the Editor/Assembler-Plus package (disk version only) by Microsoft has macro capability.

### General Comments

I recommend that your initial assembler be one of the ordinary assemblers, rather than a macro assembler. Although a macro assembler is much more versatile and may be your choice later, it is much more complicated to use. In fact, it likely will hinder your progress in learning assembly language by bogging you down in the details of operation of the assembler program itself. However, the choice is yours.

If you already have one of the macro assemblers, give it a good try before you run out to spend any more hard-earned money. (If your money was not hard-earned, it's not so bad, so spend away! A joke -- just a joke!) You may find that the macro assembler is not so difficult to use after all, and you will certainly like the features which will allow you to assemble, easily, very large source programs later on. This way, you only have to learn one assembler.

Whatever assembler you choose, it is imperative that you purchase one and practice using it. I will be saying that again and again simply because it is true!

### B. EXTRA READING

REMASSEM is the best way to learn TRS-80 assembly language programming (completely unbiased opinion, of course!). However, at some point in your study, you will feel the need for additional reference materials, so I want to list some with which I am familiar. As usual, I give my opinions. Let me start with some books.



Barden, TRS-80 Assembly-Language Programming, Radio Shack.

This book was included in the original REMASSEM as a textbook. It is good in that it is specific to the TRS-80, and is inexpensive enough that you probably will want to get it. We no longer include it as a part of REMASSEM for two reasons:

1. You probably already have it, and there's no need to increase the price of REMASSEM to cover the expense of something you already have.
2. It is more suited for the Model I than it is for the Model III.

Leventhal, Z-80 Assembly Language Programming, Osborne McGraw-Hill.

This is a very complete book. I think the neophyte programmer could well be overwhelmed by the amount of material given in the book if he/she attempts to use it as a text for self-teaching, but the great amount of information given makes this an excellent reference book. It should be on your bookshelf.

Barden, The Z-80 Microcomputer Handbook, Sams.

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This book is more thorough than the other one above by Barden, in that the details of the Z80 chip are discussed as well. I prefer Leventhal for my money, but (as with any other book in this list) it can be useful at times and, if money is no object, should be readily at hand.

Zaks, Programming the Z80, Sybex

This book is rather bulky, but upon inspection it is seen that a lot of the bulk is derived from spacious representations of the instruction set. I do not think it has the depth of information that several of the others provide, and I quarrel with some of the statements made, but you may find Dr. Zaks' book to your liking. I personally can live without it.

Spracklen, Z-80 and 8080 Assembly Language Programming, Hayden.

This is perhaps my favorite as a study book, at least as far as the approach that Mrs. Spracklen takes toward teaching assembly language. You can tell that I admire this approach if you have seen the book, because the manner in which I have developed the topics in the first couple of lectures parallels closely the technique she follows. I think this book can be somewhat confusing for the neophyte, in that both Z80 and 8080 mnemonics are given. (I'll discuss what "mnemonics" are in lecture 1.) Eventually you will want to know what the 8080 mnemonic is for a given Z80 instruction (if there is an 8080 instruction for the Z80 instruction), and at that point perhaps the Spracklen book will be quite useful to you.

Howe, TRS-80 Assembly Language, Prentice-Hall.

This is a useful but somewhat overpriced book, in my opinion. The information given is different in many cases to what the other books provide and therefore may deserve a spot on your bookshelf, but examine it closely first. Several of the areas Howe discusses are specific to the Model I and are not directly applicable to a Model III.

#### C. OTHER REFERENCE MATERIALS

You must realize that the list could go on forever, but I want to give you some descriptions of helpful products available from several sources. The study of any computer language is an iterative process -- you study a while, try programming for a while, study some more, etc., gradually becoming proficient. One of the best ways to study (after you have learned the instruction set) is to examine other programmers' work to see the techniques they have employed. Most programmers are not as foolhardy as I am, preferring not to display their source listings for the whole world to belittle! So, we must get crafty and use a "disassembler" to examine object code. As you may guess, a disassembler at least partially reverses the assembly process. An assembler takes source code and generates object code -- a disassembler takes object code and generates some semblance of source code. (I realize that is quite a lot of jargon! These terms will be more meaningful to you after you read the first part of Chapter 2.)



Of course, it is not as easy as all that, since the disassembler has no way of figuring out a meaningful label for a given address reference. So the disassembly listing is not as easy to understand as the original, true source listing, but still very useful for study. Actually, I have seen some programs where the disassembled listing WAS as easy to understand as the source listing, but that is another story!

The DSMBLR program by MISOSYS is a very good disassembler program to have. It will even generate a "source" file on tape or disk for input to your assembler. The NEWDOS disk operating system also provides a disassembler which has many good features. I normally use these two disassemblers in combination. I like some features from one, and other features from the other -- together, they make an excellent team!

In addition to disassemblers, you may be curious about the ROM routines in your computer. After all, many of the functions that BASIC provides are equally useful in your assembly language programming. There are several books which "open up" this treasure for you to study and use. For the Model I, a good reference to have is "The Book -- Volume I and II" by Insiders Software Consultants, Inc. Another good one is "TRS-80 Super Map" by Roger Fuller.

Also for the Model I are the series of "Other Mysteries" books published by IJG Computer Services. Particularly useful are "Microsoft Basic Decoded & Other Mysteries", by James Farvour and "The Custom TRS-80 & Other Mysteries", by Dennis Bathory Kitsz. For the Model III, a good reference is "MOD III ROM COMMENTED" by Soft Sector Marketing, Inc. Although this does not tell you how to use any of the routines, it is about as complete a disassembly of the ROM as could be listed without violating Radio Shack's copyright! Careful study will prove worthwhile.

Do not forget the appropriate Service and Technical Manuals for your TRS-80. These are available from Radio Shack, although apparently this is not widely known even among Radio Shack managers, and should be obtained. They contain much material which is very useful.

#### WHAT TO DO NEXT

I suggest you scan Chapter 2, just to begin to become familiar with the topics discussed, before proceeding with audio lessons 1 through 5. There is a lot of stuff you must cover to learn assembly language, with a lot of jargon, so do not be upset if you don't understand everything completely the first time through.





## CHAPTER 2

### THE CAT CHASED THE MOUSE

There are two goals for this chapter:

- 1) to give you information about what an assembler is and what it does for us.
- 2) to have you learn the mechanics of using your particular assembler by playing with a trivial, short program.

It has been my experience that many students, particularly when they are studying independently (as you probably are), attempt to learn assembly language by simply listening and looking! You would not think of learning BASIC by reading and studying only and yet you (perhaps) expect to learn the much more difficult assembly language in this manner.

You may succeed, but if you do you are well above most students in capability! I have found that much practice is usually necessary before one becomes comfortable in any "foreign" language, computer or otherwise. Particularly if you want a writing knowledge of assembly language as contrasted with just a reading knowledge, you must be prepared to spend many hours in practice. In order to practice efficiently, you must know how to use the particular assembler you own. You DO have an assembler program, don't you? Let's take some time now to discuss assemblers.

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Quite simply, an assembler is a machine language program which will convert an assembly language program into the corresponding machine language program. The assembly language program is called the "source" code, and the machine language program it generates is called the "object" code.

The computer must work at all times with machine code (object code) -- that is all it understands! When we think we are running a BASIC program, we are really running a machine language BASIC interpreter which, logically enough, interprets our BASIC source program a portion at a time and executes appropriate machine language routines stored in ROM as it performs the interpretation. Note that I have called the original code "source code", whether it was in assembly language or BASIC. This is the common jargon -- a program in any language that the computer cannot execute directly without translation or interpretation is called source code.



Whereas the program that executes BASIC source code is called an interpreter since it must continually and repetitively interpret the source program each time it executes it, the assembler is a form of compiler. What is a compiler? Normally a compiler translates the source code directly into object code; that is, the output from the compiler is machine language, ready for execution by the computer as soon as it is loaded into memory. A FORTRAN compiler normally is of this type. So are most ordinary assemblers. Radio Shack now sells a BASIC compiler, too, which generates object code.

There are exceptions to this, however, wherein some sort of intermediate code is produced which requires a run-time module present during execution to perform the interpretation of the intermediate code. Pascal and CBASIC are examples of this type of compiler.

So, now that we know that an assembler is a type of compiler, let us look in more detail into what an assembler is. There are two main types of assemblers:

- 1) ordinary assembler.
- 2) macro assembler.

They differ largely in the way they translate source code statements.

An ordinary assembler takes each line of source code ~~you have written and translates it,~~ instruction by instruction, into the corresponding object code. Since many assemblers allow only one instruction per line of source code, there is a direct, one-to-one correlation between source instructions and object instructions. Furthermore, each statement must be a valid instruction; in particular, the exact mnemonic representation must be followed. There is certainly a place for creativity in computer programming, but this is not the place!

If the assembler does not recognize the statement as a valid instruction, it will let you know when it assembles your source program. You must then correct the syntax error(s) and try again.

Actually, most of what you have just read applies as well to a macro assembler. Every statement must be recognized as valid or you will get an error message! Neither assembler is a mind reader -- that costs extra, much more! The main difference is that, with a macro assembler, you can make up new instructions and use them in your programming, as long as the new instructions are built up from valid, ordinary instruction sequences AND as long as you



tell the assembler the "definitions" of these new instructions. At its best, you can use a macro assembler to allow you to use a sort of shorthand to represent longer sections of code.

It is important to realize that the object code will be the same whether you use macros or whether you spell out each instruction explicitly each time. Macros only shorten the amount of keying in you must do to get the source code.

There is another difference between ordinary assemblers and macro assemblers, one which is perhaps even more important than that above. An ordinary assembler generates "absolute" code, while a macro assembler usually generates "relocatable" code. What in the world does Willis mean by this?

Object code normally will execute properly only when it is placed in the memory locations where it was assembled to execute. This may be intuitively obvious to you, but it is not for many people, so let us talk about it a little bit. Scanning the Z80 instructions in Appendix B will reveal many instructions which do not involve specific areas of memory, for example, the register-to-register loads, the Boolean operations involving only registers, and several others. Quite a few instructions, however, require reference to specific memory locations. If these references are to labelled instructions in your program itself and you move the object code to a different area of memory, the program will bomb! How about an example?

Let's say that you had the following section of code in one of your programs:

```
                ORG 7300H
LOOP            LD  A,(DATA)

                .
                .
                .

                JP  LOOP
                ORG 7380H
DATA            DEFS 1
```

The periods indicate a sequence of instructions not pertinent to this discussion. In the instruction labelled LOOP, we are fetching a byte of data stored in the memory location labelled DATA and placing it in the accumulator. In the instruction just past the column of periods we see JP LOOP, which jumps to the memory location we have called LOOP.

FOR BOTH INSTRUCTIONS, THE CODE GENERATED BY OUR ORDINARY ASSEMBLER WILL SHOW SPECIFIC, ABSOLUTE MEMORY LOCATIONS. That is, if we specify at the time of assembly that LOOP is at 7300H and DATA is at 7380H, and then we later move the object code from 7300-7380H to 7400-7480H, the first instruction will still fetch the byte at 7380H, not 7480H, and place it in the accumulator. The JP LOOP instruction will be a jump to 7300H, not our desired 7400H destination! We must reassemble the source code with new specifications to the assembler in order to have the program work properly at 7400H.

How does the macro assembler differ from this? A macro assembler generates a type of intermediate code which does not contain absolute addresses. Before this intermediate code (which is often called "relocatable" code) can be executed, it must be converted by a linker program to standard object code. Here is an important point to realize about the object program after the linker program has done its job -- the code is indistinguishable from that produced by an ordinary assembler! All references which were absolute addresses with the ordinary assembler are absolute addresses now. The final object code is no more "relocatable" than it was in the example above!

So why call it relocatable code? Well, it is relocatable insofar as you do not have to reassemble to generate an object program to run at 7400H. In fact, you normally do not specify any address at which the program is to run at assembly time with a macro assembler. This is done at linking time. To get an object program which will execute properly at 7400H, you simply relink, specifying 7400H as the new origin. (This assumes that the program worked right at 7300H -- there's no magic, I'm sorry to say!)

The advantage of this approach is that you can devise very useful subroutines which you will use many times in your future programming and assemble them into these relocatable modules, forming a so-called "library". Then, when you need one or more of them in a program you are just writing, you can specify to the assembler that the modules are "external" to the new program. That is, these routines are not present in this module. If you fail to tell the assembler this, it will issue appropriate error messages.



The assembler will generate code which will allow the linker to resolve the external references at linkage time. Obviously, you must tell the linker where to find these library routines; once again, it cannot or at least will not read your mind. Another advantage of a macro assembler is that the source code for the entire program does not need to fit into available memory at the same time. Each module can be assembled separately and then linked later. At the risk of being absurd, I will remind you that the final object code must fit available memory.

It is apparent that a macro assembler is much more flexible than an ordinary assembler. So why not use one all the time? Why does Willis recommend that you start off with an ordinary assembler?

The goal of studying assembly language is to learn assembly language! It is almost a law that a more versatile system is a more complex system and the macro assembler which Radio Shack offers for the Models I and III is a very complex system to learn. This may delay your study of assembly language itself. I hope what I have said in the last several paragraphs helps you if you already have this assembler, but I personally feel that you would progress much faster if the assembler were simple enough to use to permit you to focus on the goal of learning assembly language as quickly as possible. The Radio Shack macro assembler is a marvelous piece of software which you may want to use in the years to come, after you gain some experience.

#### Assembler Pseudo-Operations and Assorted Esoterica

The assembler normally needs to know several things before it can do an acceptable job of assembling our masterpiece of a program. For this discussion, I will describe what many of these things are, using the Radio Shack Series I Editor/Assembler as a typical ordinary assembler. The topics will be discussed in the following order:

- ORG
- EQU
- DEFL
- END
- DEFB
- DEFW
- DEFM
- DEFS
- Miscellaneous Loose Ends

It should be emphasized once more that you must read the documentation which came with your assembler. The mnemonic for a given command which I will be discussing may be spelled differently even though its function is exactly the same. Your assembler will be nice to you if and only if you play by its rules -- you will save a lot of "grief" if you learn those rules now! So the examples I show may not work verbatim with your assembler, but the discussion should still be quite useful in helping you to understand your particular assembler.

#### ORG Pseudo-Op

As I said earlier, an ordinary assembler assembles a program to execute in one specific memory area. The ORG ("origin") pseudo-op is how we tell the assembler where the desired memory starts. If you leave this out, most assemblers will assume a starting address of 00. This does not work well at all for the TRS-80, since there is ROM memory at that address; there is no way you will be able to load the object code into that area for execution! So we must have an ORG statement if we are using an assembler like the Series I.

If you have a disk system, the lowest memory address you can use as an origin is 5200H unless you like the excitement of guessing what vital portion of the disk operating system you zapped when you loaded your program! In fact, if you have a Model III, I suggest you use 5600H, so you can use the DEBUG utility. DEBUG will overwrite at least part of your program otherwise.

For a tape system, the lowest address is 42E9H. Tape-based Model III programs seem to work better when I use 4400H as origin, but maybe that is only my imagination. The Radio Shack documentation says 42E9H.

You DO NOT USE the ORG pseudo-op in the normal situation with a macro assembler. The desired origin is specified when using the LINKER, not when using the ASSEMBLER.



## EQU Pseudo-Op

This will be one of your most frequently used instructions to the assembler. The EQU is used whenever you want to equate a symbolic label with a numeric value, i.e., when you want to assign a particular value to a label so that you can refer to the value symbolically by the label, elsewhere in the program. An EQU statement is one way that an assembly language programmer can define a constant. The value of this pseudo-op is two-fold:

- 1) The use of labels should make the program easier to understand, both for the original programmer and anyone else looking at the source listing at some later time.
- 2) The program is much easier to modify, simply by changing the value in the EQU statement.

For example, let us assume that we initially set up a delay value which is perhaps used several times elsewhere in the program as a counter for a time delay routine. We could have the following statement in our source code:

```
00100    DELAY    EQU    128
```

After assembling our program and running it, we find that the original value of 128 is not optimum. We can then edit the EQUate statement to adjust the value in the desired direction. We then reassemble and re-test, etc.

The value given in an EQU statement can be a 16-bit number; a label can be equated to a particular address, for instance. Be aware, however, that the assembler will not allow you to specify loading a value greater than 8 bits into an 8-bit register.

Since the EQU statement defines a constant, it is logical that the program may contain only one EQU for any given label. It can be placed anywhere in the source program. I have formed the habit of placing EQU statements near the front of the program since it helps to have that information as you are perusing a source listing (especially someone's other than your own). That is strictly my personal preference; most assemblers will allow EQU statements to be placed anywhere in the source program. Choose your own approach and maintain that approach consistently from program to program.

## DEFL Pseudo-Op

*A label*  
 The DEFL is somewhat similar to the EQU statement in that it is used to equate a symbolic label with a particular numeric value. It differs from the EQU in that you can have multiple DEFL statements for a given label.

In a sense, then, you can use the DEFL statement to define "temporary" constants. In my opinion this can be more trouble than it is worth, and I use the DEFL pseudo-op very seldomly when using an ordinary assembler. With a macro assembler which has conditional assembly and other features too advanced for us to consider now, good use can be made of DEFL. For you at this phase of your study, I recommend not attempting to use the DEFL in your programming efforts.

## END Pseudo-Op

*ΔFINIS  
&  
start*  
 For most assemblers, there must be some way of saying that this is all you want assembled in this module. It normally is at the end of the source code (maybe that's why they call it END?) as the last statement. For ordinary assemblers the END statement has one further use, and that is to tell the assembler what the execution starting address is. For example, if you had the following code sequence:

```
00010          ORG    7F00H
00020  START  LD     A,5
```

```

.
.
.
```

```
00200          END    START
```

The assembler would write the object code onto tape or disk in such a manner as to indicate that execution should begin at START, which in this example is 7F00H. If you specify no label after the END, the assembler sets up 0 as the starting address for the tape or disk object file accordingly.

Although not fatal, this is often inconvenient! If you have a tape system, you normally load a machine language program using the SYSTEM command in Level II BASIC. Then you give it a "/" to begin execution. If there was a valid starting address written to the tape originally, you need not specify a starting address. If there was none, execution will begin at 0, which causes re-initialization of the system, unless you give the valid address after the "/".



The problem is even worse when you want to load and execute an object program which resides on disk. If you just key in the program's name followed by <ENTER> while in DOS command mode (the customary procedure), the system will re-boot! You will have to do something involved like activating the Debug utility before typing in the program name as above. When the Debug display appears, you must specify the desired "Go" address to begin execution. It is much simpler to specify the label after the END! 'Nuff said!

### DEFB Pseudo-Op

This is used to define a byte of data which is actually to be placed in the object file at the current address. This differs from the DEFL and the EQU pseudo-ops, which just tell the assembler to substitute the numeric value whenever the label is encountered. The DEFB statement causes the value specified to be deposited in the object file immediately, and is therefore useful for initializing a byte of data which perhaps later will change value, etc. You will see examples of use of the DEFB pseudo-op in various routines we will be examining.

*Δ byte*

### DEFW Pseudo-Op

DEFW is similar to DEFB except that it defines a word of 16-bits, i.e., two bytes of data. In accordance with the usual procedure for a Z80 processor, these are placed in memory with the least significant byte first. For example, if you had the following statement in your program:

*Δ word  
= 2 bytes*

DEFW 4000H

the 00 would be stored first and the 40H would be stored at the next higher memory address.

### DEFM Pseudo-Op

This is used to define a "message" or string of ASCII characters enclosed in single quotes. The numeric values of the characters are placed one after the other in sequential order in memory.

*Δ message  
string of  
ASCII characters*

## DEFS Pseudo-Op

*A storage area*  
*(caution: does not initialize addresses)*

This defines a storage area of nn bytes, where "nn" is a number following the DEFS. The DEFS simply causes the assembler to add "nn" to the current address, leaving a gap which can be used during execution of the program to store data. etc. It is important to realize that most assemblers do not initialize the memory in this area to any particular values, so whatever garbage is in the area will be in your object code when you begin execution. The exact handling of DEFS differs from one assembler to another, but I can almost guarantee that "garbage" will be present when execution begins. Of course, this is of no consequence if you use the area of memory properly during program execution, that is, if you store valid data there before any routine retrieves any data. Otherwise, the ancient saying "Garbage In, Garbage Out" becomes personally meaningful!

## Miscellaneous Loose Ends

Assemblers differ in statement syntax regarding labels. Many assemblers require that any statement defining a label have the first character of the label in the first column position of the line; there can be no space characters or tabs, etc., before the label.

Some assemblers require that you terminate the label with a colon. The Radio Shack macro assembler is like this. Normally when the terminator is required, you gain something in return, like not having to place the first character of the label in column one; i.e., the statement can be free-format. Again, simply check the manual.

Most assemblers allow you to reference the current value of the pseudo program counter in some manner. The most common way this is accomplished is by using a statement like:

```
MYLABL EQU $
```

Check the documentation to see how your assembler implements this. An example of its use with the Series I Editor/Assembler is line 1180 of the QDMTST program in Chapter 3 of this manual.

Most assemblers have various other statements useful during assembly which I have not covered above. Let's talk about them now, in no particular order of importance.



For example, the Series I assembler has `"*LIST ON"` and `"*LIST OFF"` commands which allow you to inhibit the output of any portion of the source listing you wish. You may want to do this if you have quite a few messages or other data in your program -- after you have once checked them to be sure they are correct, you may wish to inhibit their appearance in later listings, to save both time and paper.

Expressions can be used in place of a numeric operand with most assemblers. Any label used in the expression must be defined somewhere in the program. Almost all assemblers allow use of the `"+"` and `"-"` signs for their conventional purposes -- designation of addition, subtraction, or negation.

Some assemblers provide for limited Boolean arithmetic to calculate expressions. The Series I allows only the logical AND, designated by the `"&"` character.

A very few assemblers allow multiplication or division in expression evaluations. Some assemblers do allow you to specify arithmetic shifting, which can effect integer multiplication or division by powers of 2. The Series I allows you to designate shifting with the `"<"` character. If the value following the `"<"` is positive, a one-bit left shift will be performed for the number of times given. If the value is negative, a series of one-bit right shifts will be performed. For example, given that:

```
VALUE1 EQU 4
VALUE2 EQU VALUE1<2
VALUE3 EQU VALUE1<-1
```

binary      dec  
 $100 = 4$   
 $1000 = 16$   
 $10 = 2$

After the evaluations of the expressions in the second and third lines above, the assembler will have equated VALUE1 with 4, VALUE2 with 16, and VALUE3 with 2. Try it, you'll like it!

Most assemblers allow for character constants. Suppose you wanted to load the accumulator with an ASCII "A". You could look in a table to find that "A" in the ASCII character set has a numeric value of 41H and use that value as in this:

```
LD A,41H
```

The Series I allows you to use this instead:

```
LD A,'A'
```

where the single quotes tell the assembler to convert that character into its ASCII value.

Almost all assemblers allow use of different number bases, or radices, when specifying numbers. Usually the default is radix 10 (decimal). If a particular number does not have one of the following suffixes, the Series I assembler will interpret it as a decimal number:

- "H" suffix designates radix 16 (hexadecimal).  
You will use hex numbers frequently.
- "Q" suffix designates radix 8 (octal). Some assemblers also permit the use of the letter "O" for octal, but I do not recommend its use because it is too easily mistaken for the number zero by merely mortal humans.
- "B" suffix. A few assemblers (not the Series I) allow for radix 2 (binary).

All assemblers allow comments in assembly statements; the usual character to designate a comment is the semi-colon, but sometimes the asterisk is used for this purpose. The assembler will not try to interpret any characters after the semi-colon as an assembly language instruction. I highly recommend heavy use of comments in your programs, for obvious reasons.



PROGRAMMING EXAMPLE

We now have an overview of an assembler. Let us now look at a trivial program, in several stages of development. The program gives us the title of this chapter; it is designed to display "The Cat Chased The Mouse!" on the screen. Its sole purpose is to help you get familiar with your particular editor/assembler. You should key in the program and assemble it, making any and all changes necessary to get it to assemble without error. As I have threatened several times, this may require you to read the manuals which came with your editor/assembler! Never fear -- plunge right in. You will find me very patient -- take as long as you need, since you MUST learn to use your assembler before we can make significant progress from here on.

Since we are going to send a message to the screen, let us get a little background information about screen memory. The TRS-80 screen memory is ordinary memory, in that it can be written to or loaded from in the same way as any other RAM. Screen memory is located between 3C00-3FFFFH. As you become more at ease using assembly language with your system, you may want to experiment with loading directly to and from screen memory, but for the time being let's use some ROM routines and Level II storage locations to keep from getting bogged down with details, details, details. You will learn much more about memory mapping and screen memory in Chapter 5.

Here's our first draft of the program:

```

00010          ORG      5200H          ;Program load addr
00020      TV      EQU      33H          ;ROM Display Pgrm.
00030      START   LD      HL,MSG        ;Pnt to "Cat", etc.
00040      MSGOUT  LD      A,(HL)        ;Fetch char in msg
00050          AND      A              ;Chk for zero value
00060          JR      Z,ZEND            ;if so, finished
00070          CALL   TV                ;Display byte in A
00080          INC     HL                ;Pnt to nxt char
00090          JR      MSGOUT            ;Try it again
00100      ZEND    JR      ZEND
00110      ;
00120      MSG      DEFM      'The Cat Chased the Mouse!'
00130          DEFB      0
00140          END      START

```



Well, that doesn't appear too hard, does it? Let's look at what I have done. The first thing I did is to tell the assembler (I am using the Series I assembler mentioned earlier) that I want the object code to be assembled to execute starting at 5200H, the lowest address I can use with a disk system. Once again, if you have a Model III disk system, you may want to use 5600H. Use 4400H for a tape-based system. I then define the label "TV" in line 20. Starting in line 30 is the actual routine which will output the message to the screen. I have labelled the statement "START" since this is the start of the routine; sometimes my imagination in choosing label names is overwhelming! I use HL reg pair to point to the message. WHY, you ask? Well, I am pointing to an address, and that requires a 16-bit value to describe a unique address. WHY THE HL REG PAIR, you ask? Well, partly out of habit, I must admit! However, the habit was consciously cultivated since the Z80 instruction set favors the HL reg pair regarding both execution time and memory utilization. In this case, I could just as easily have used the BC or the DE reg pairs. I'll show you why I can say that.

Look at the statement labelled MSGOUT (line 40). I need to send the characters of the message to the ROM routine ("TV", which is located at 33H). For any Z80 machine, almost all I/O must pass through the accumulator; this is a result of the way the instruction set is structured. The TV routine will output whatever character is in the accumulator to the screen. So we know we have to fetch the character from memory into the A reg.

Look on page B-2 of this manual. The third instruction listed on that page is "LD r,(HL)". This is the instruction we used, with A the reg used in place of r. This instruction uses 1 byte of memory and takes 7 T-cycles to execute. We could have used either of the next two instructions shown, "LD r,(IX+d)" or "LD r,(IY+d)", but they each take 3 bytes and 19 T-cycles! So we waste both memory and time with the index regs. Don't use the index regs for this type of problem unless you absolutely don't have any reg pairs available!

On down the page (about half way), you will see "LD A,(BC)" and "LD A,(DE)". These take 1 byte and 7 T-cycles, just like the instruction using HL. So anytime you want to bring a character into the A reg, consider either of these three instructions as equivalent. Aside. . . the instruction using the HL reg pair is more versatile than the ones for the BC and DE reg pairs, since you can put the byte into ANY of the 8-bit regs if you use the HL reg pair as memory pointer, but into only the accumulator if you use either the BC or DE reg pairs.



So far we have gotten the first char into the A reg. Now we must check it to see if it is our "end of message" byte, which is necessary to exit from the routine. I have set up this delimiter as 0, but it could be any character not appearing in the message itself. WHY DID I CHOOSE A ZERO, you ask? Because there are a couple of neat, 1-byte instructions to allow me to test for a zero value in the A reg. On page B-5, about half way down, you will find "AND s" and "OR s"; these Boolean operations can be used to exercise the flags if I substitute "A" for "s". The net result is an unchanged A reg with the Zero flag reflecting whether or not the value in the A reg is 0. If it is 0, we are finished and jump relative to ZEND.

If it is not 0, we are ready to call the TV routine to display the character. We then increment our pointer to the message (HL reg pair) and loop back ad infinitum if there is no zero byte at the end of our message!

When we finally get our zero byte, we execute the instruction at ZEND, which says to jump relative to ZEND! How absurd! Doesn't the computer have anything better to do? No, not in this case. Remember, the CPU must ALWAYS be executing SOME instruction all of the time the system is powered up. Even the HALT instruction is executed as an endless string of NOP instructions; only an interrupt will cause execution of the instruction following the HALT.

The human reading the message is not fast enough to read it if the computer immediately does something like erase the screen or list a program, etc., without waiting. The advantage of the instruction in line 130 above is that even an interrupt will not break out of this loop. This will stay there until you press the Reset button. Read at your leisure, you might say!

Key the program in, assemble it, and run it. I'll wait right here till you are finished.

It's not very elegant, is it? It just prints the message wherever it left off printing whatever came before! And who wants to press the Reset button to get out of a program?

Let's fancy it up a bit. Why don't we clear the screen first? O.K., all we have to do is add one instruction and one EQU. In making additions to the previous version of the program, I will maintain the same line numbers for a given original instruction; the new instructions will have line numbers between those of the original instructions. This is done simply to make the example easier to follow.

Ordinarilly you would renumber the program periodically. Here's what the program looks like now:

```

00010          ORG      5200H
00020      TV          EQU      33H
00022      CLS         EQU      1C9H
00030      START      LD       HL,MSG          ;Pnt to "Cat", etc.
00032              CALL    CLS              ;Clear the screen
00040      MSGOUT      LD       A,(HL)        ;Fetch char in msg
00050              AND     A                ;Chk for zero value
00060              JR      Z,ZEND            ;if so, finished
00070              CALL    TV
00080              INC     HL                ;Pnt to nxt char
00090              JR      MSGOUT            ;Try it again
00100      ZEND        JR      ZEND
00110      ;
00120      MSG          DEFM     'The Cat Chased the Mouse!'
00130              DEFB     0
00140              END      START

```

Try that -- I'll wait.

Although that's certainly better, maybe we want to print the message in the center of the screen. Hey, that's a good idea! The first thing we must do is figure out where the center of the screen is. Well, let's not do exactly that -- let's be even fancier and center the message on the line near the center of the screen. (I say "near the center" of the screen because there are 16 lines of 64 characters each, totalling 1024 chars. No line is at the exact center of the screen! But close enough for friends like us, right?) Counting the characters in the message, I get 25 -- don't count the 0, since it won't be displayed. So if we go down to the 8th line, that will be  $7 * 64 = 448$  to the start of the line (line numbering starts with 0). Now  $64 - 25 = 39$ . If we split the difference, we need either 19 or 20 spaces before our message (to exactly center it we need 19.5, but who can do that?) So let's use 19 -- our total offset from the top left of the screen is then  $448 + 19 = 467$ . Let's let the assembler do some of our work for us -- we will give it the start of memory as an EQU and tell it to add 467 to that. Then we will tell it to update the cursor position before displaying the message. This uses a system RAM location at 4020H, which I have labelled "CURSOR" in an EQU. You may find this address very useful to you in your own programming, since it allows you to perform a PRINT@ function in assembly language, as this program illustrates.



Here's our program so far:

```

00010          ORG      5200H
00020      TV          EQU      33H
00022      CLS          EQU      1C9H
00024      CURSOR       EQU      4020H
00026      TVSTRT       EQU      3C00H
00030      START       LD        HL,MSG          ;Pnt to "Cat", etc.
00032                  CALL     CLS              ;Clear the screen
00034                  LD        DE,TVSTRT+467    ;center the msg
00036                  LD        (CURSOR),DE
00040      MSGOUT       LD        A,(HL)          ;Fetch char in msg
00050                  AND        A              ;Chk for zero value
00060                  JR        Z,ZEND           ;if so, finished
00070                  CALL     TV
00080                  INC        HL              ;Pnt to nxt char
00090                  JR        MSGOUT           ;Try it again
00100      ZEND         JR        ZEND
00110      ;
00120      MSG           DEFM      'The Cat Chased the Mouse!'
00130                  DEFB      0
00140                  END        START

```

Try that now -- I don't mind waiting one more time.

This is getting fancy! But we still need to arrange a better way of ending the routine so that we do not have to press the Reset button every time. A convenient way to do that is to check the keyboard to see if a key is depressed -- if a key is not depressed, make it stay in the loop; when a key is pressed, we'll jump back to the system (either Level II BASIC or the disk operating system as appropriate) for our next bit of excitement. On the next page is the final version for this session:

```

00010          ORG      5200H
00020      TV          EQU      33H
00022      CLS         EQU      1C9H
00024      CURSOR      EQU      4020H
00026      TVSTRT      EQU      3C00H
00027      KEYIN       EQU      2BH
00028      SYSTEM      EQU      402DH          ;Entry pnt for DOS
00029                                          ;1A19H for Level II
00030      START       LD       HL,MSG        ;Pnt to "Cat", etc.
00032          CALL    CLS                  ;Clear the screen
00034          LD      DE,TVSTRT+467        ;center the msg
00036          LD      (CURSOR),DE
00040      MSGOUT      LD      A,(HL)        ;Fetch char in msg
00050          AND     A                    ;Chk for zero value
00060          JR      Z,ZEND                ;if so, finished
00070          CALL    TV
00080          INC     HL                    ;Pnt to nxt char
00090          JR      MSGOUT                ;Try it again
00100      ZEND        CALL    KEYIN
00102          OR      A
00104          JR      Z,ZEND
00106          JP      SYSTEM
00110          ;
00120      MSG          DEFM     'The Cat Chased the Mouse!'
00130          DEFB     0
00140          END      START

```

Well, I think you have done very well! Now that you know how to use your assembler, we can progress to more involved routines. The program listings begin in Chapter 3, with the discussion beginning in Lesson 6 of the audio lectures. I'm ready whenever you are, but don't be in too much of a rush. It is best for you to understand things as you go, so don't exceed your optimum speed.



### CHAPTER 3

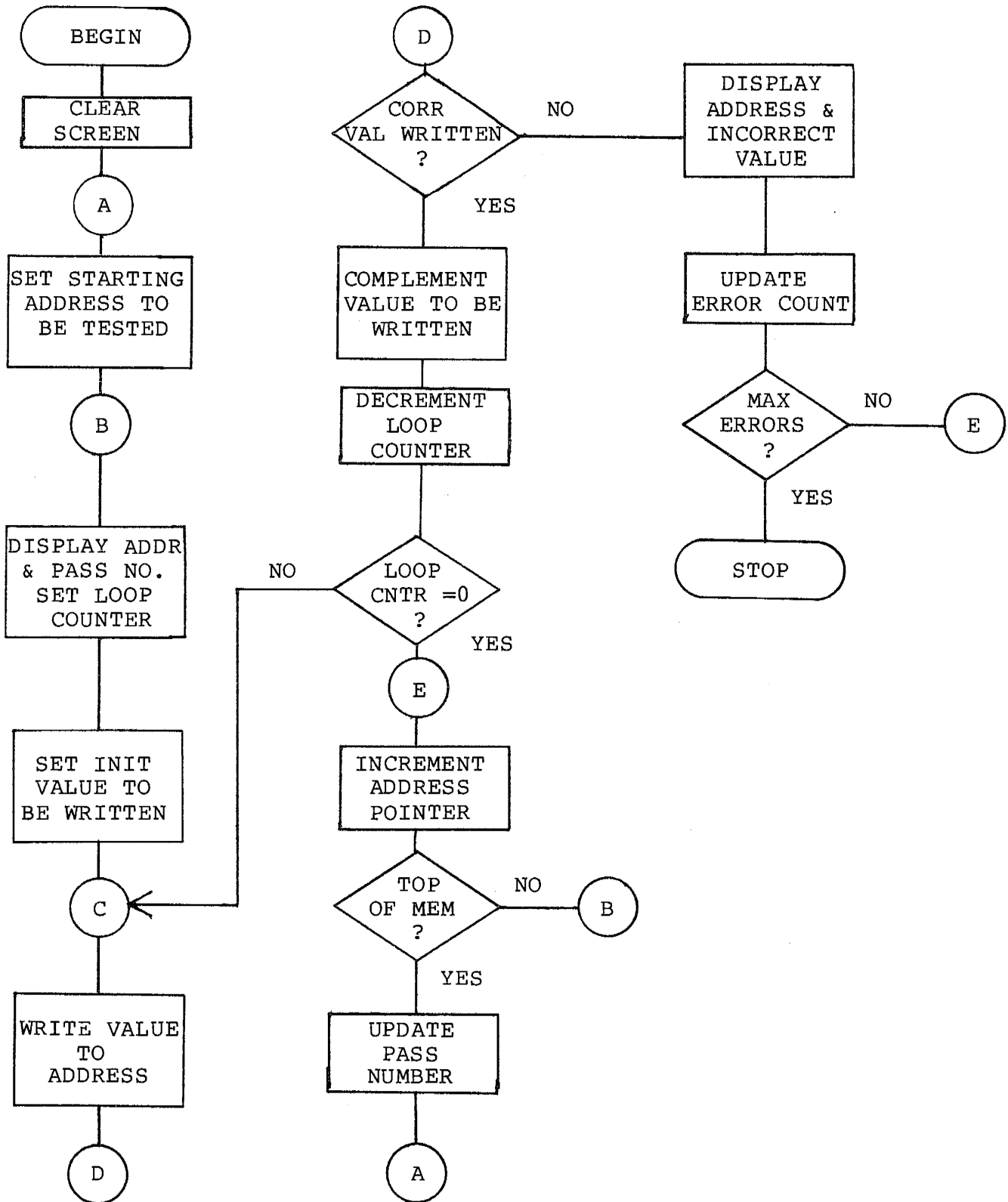
#### QUICK AND DIRTY MEMORY TEST ROUTINE

The "quick and dirty" memory routine is the first program to be discussed step-by-step in the audio lessons (lessons 6 and 7). The purpose of the routine is to test RAM memory for errors, and illustrates how to string assembly language instructions together to form a program.

The test itself is relatively simple -- first a byte of zeroes is written to a memory location and then read to ascertain that the correct value is obtained. Then a byte of ones is written and checked. This sequence continues for 127 more times for that memory location and then the next location is checked in like manner. The program displays the address of the memory under test and the number of passes which has been made through the entire memory. If an error is found, both the address of that error and the byte of data obtained from that address are displayed.

When all of the available RAM memory has been tested, the program begins the next pass. The only ways to stop the execution of the program are to press the <RESET> button or to have enough memory errors to fill the screen.

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00010 ;
00020 ; 'QDMTST' IS A "QUICK AND DIRTY" MEMORY TEST ROUTINE.
00030 ; IT TESTS ALL MEMORY FROM JUST PAST QDMTST TO THE
00040 ; TOP OF MEMORY.
00050 ;
00060 ; THE TEST IS QUITE SIMPLE: FIRST A BYTE OF ZEROES
00070 ; IS WRITTEN TO THE LOCATION AND CHECKED; THEN A
00080 ; BYTE OF ONES (0FFH) IS WRITTEN AND CHECKED.
00090 ; THIS SEQUENCE IS REPEATED 127 TIMES BEFORE
00100 ; GOING ON TO THE NEXT LOCATION.
00110 ;
00120 ; AFTER COMPLETING A PASS, THE PROGRAM STARTS THE
00130 ; NEXT ONE. THE ONLY WAYS TO STOP THE PROGRAM ARE
00140 ; EITHER TO HIT THE RESET BUTTON OR HAVE ENOUGH
00150 ; MEMORY ERRORS TO FILL THE SCREEN (HEAVEN FORBID!).
00160 ;
0033 00170 CRT EQU 33H ; 33H location - screen 33H
0077 00180 MXERRS EQU 119 ; max errors on screen
4020 00190 TVCURS EQU 4020H ; ptr 1 pos - no left char 0
40B1 00200 TOPMEM EQU 40B1H ; 40B1H stores chosen top of memory 0
001C 00210 HOME EQU 1CH
001F 00220 EREOF EQU 1FH
00230 ;
5200 00240 ORG 5200H ; 42E9H LOWEST FOR TAPE
00250 ; ; 5600H FOR MOD 3 DISK
5200 3E1C 00260 QDMTST: LD A,HOME ; cursor home
5202 CD4F52 00270 CALL TV ; clear to end of screen
5205 3E1F 00280 LD A,EREOF
5207 CD4F52 00290 CALL TV
520A DD218D52 00300 LD IX,PASS ; PNT TO PASS NO.
520E 219152 A 00310 TEST: LD HL,START ; 1ST ADDR TO BE TESTED
5211 CD5752 E 00320 LOOP1: CALL DSPLAY ; DISPLAY ADDR
5214 AF 00330 XOR A ; INIT CHAR TO 0
5215 47 00340 LD B,A ; SET LOOP CNTR TO 256
5216 77 00350 LOOP2: LD (HL),A ; WRITE CHAR TO MEM
5217 BE 00360 CP (HL) ; WRITE OK?
5218 2012 00370 JR NZ,ERROR ; NO
521A 2F 00380 CPL ; YES, FORM OPPOSITE
521B 10F9 00390 DJNZ LOOP2 ; PATTERN & CONTINUE
521D 23 00400 ENDTST: INC HL ; NXT ADDR TO BE TESTED
521E EB 00410 EX DE,HL ; IS IT PAST THE TOP OF
521F 2AB140 00420 LD HL,(TOPMEM) ; UNPROTECTED MEMORY?
5222 ED52 00440 SBC HL,DE
5224 EB 00450 EX DE,HL
5225 20EA 00460 JR NZ,LOOP1 ; NO, TEST THIS ADDR
5227 DD3400 00470 INC (IX+0) ; YES, INC PASS NO.
522A 18E2 00480 JR TEST ; & HAVE ANOTHER GO!
522C E5 00490 ERROR: PUSH HL
522D 2A8E52 00500 LD HL,(TVPNTR) ; SET TV CURSOR
5230 110800 00510 LD DE,8 ; TO NXT 8-BYTE
5233 19 00520 ADD HL,DE ; AREA AVAILABLE
5234 222040 00530 LD (TVCURS),HL
5237 228E52 00540 LD (TVPNTR),HL ; SAVE NEW POINTER

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523A E1      00550      POP      HL
523B CD6652  00560      CALL     DSPADR      ;DISPLAY ADDR OF ERROR
523E 7E      00570      LD       A,(HL)      ;GET FAULTY BYTE
523F CD7452  00580      CALL     HXCHAR      ;DISPLAY IT
5242 3A9052  00590      LD       A,(ERRORS)   ;UPDATE ERROR CNT
5245 3C      00600      INC      A           ;UPDATE ERROR COUNT
5246 329052  00610      LD       (ERRORS),A
5249 FE77    00620      CP       MXERRS      ;ALL SCREEN CAN HOLD?
524B 20D0    00630      JR       NZ,ENDTST    ;NO, PROCEED
524D 18FE    00640 STOP:   JR       STOP      ;YES: WOW, DID I MESS UP!
00650 ;
00660 ; OUTPUTS CHAR IN ACC TO THE TV SCREEN
00670 ;
524F F5      00680 TV:    PUSH     AF
5250 D5      00690      PUSH     DE
5251 CD3300  00700      CALL     CRT
5254 D1      00710      POP      DE
5255 F1      00720      POP      AF
5256 C9      00730      RET
00740 ;
00750 ; DISPLAYS CURRENT MEMORY ADDRESS AND PASS COUNT
00760 ; IN TOP LEFT PORTION OF SCREEN
00770 ;
5257 3E1C    00780 DSPLAY: LD      A,HOME      ;RESET CURSOR TO
5259 CD4F52  00790      CALL     TV           ;TOP LEFT OF SCREEN
525C CD6652  00800      CALL     DSPADR      ;DISPLAY CURRENT MEM ADDR
525F DD7E00  00810      LD       A,(IX+0)     ;DISPLAY PASS COUNT
5262 CD7452  00820      CALL     HXCHAR
5265 C9      00830      RET
00840 ;
00850 ; DISPLAY MEMORY ADDRESS OF CURRENT LOCATION
00860 ;
5266 7C      00870 DSPADR: LD      A,H           ;DISPLAY MS BYTE
5267 CD7452  00880      CALL     HXCHAR
526A 7D      00890      LD       A,L           ;LS BYTE
526B CD7452  00900      CALL     HXCHAR
526E 3E20    00910      LD       A,' '        ;OUTPUT A SPACE
5270 CD4F52  00920      CALL     TV
5273 C9      00930      RET
00940 ;
00950 ; DISPLAYS BYTE IN ACC AS TWO HEX CHARS ON TV
00960 ;
5274 C5      00970 HXCHAR: PUSH     BC
5275 4F      00980      LD       C,A           ;TEMP SAVE CHAR
5276 0F      00990      RRCA          ;MOVE RIGHT 4 BITS
5277 0F      01000      RRCA          ;TO GET MOST
5278 0F      01010      RRCA          ;SIG HEX CHAR
5279 0F      01020      RRCA          ;IN PLACE
527A CD7F52  01030      CALL     HXTV        ;OUTPUT IT
527D 79      01040      LD       A,C           ;RETRIEVE CHAR
527E C1      01050      POP      BC
527F E60F    01060 HXTV:  AND      0FH        ;STRIP 4 MSB'S
5281 FE0A    01070      CP       10         ;DIGIT?

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5283	3802	01080	JR	C,HT0	;YES
5285	C607	01090	ADD	A,7	;NO,ADD OFFSET FOR ALPHA
5287	C630	01100	HT0: ADD	A,30H	;CNVRT TO ASCII
5289	CD4F52	01110	CALL	TV	;OUTPUT IT
528C	C9	01120	RET		
		01130	;		
528D	01	01140	PASS: DEFB	1	;UPDATED FOR EACH PASS
528E	003C	01150	TVPNTR: DEFW	3C00H	;UPDATED FOR EACH ERROR
5290	00	01160	ERRORS: DEFB	0	;UPDATED FOR EACH ERROR
		01170	;		
5291		01180	START EQU	\$	;TESTING STARTS HERE
		01190	;		
5200		01200	END	QDMTST	

00000 Total Errors





## CHAPTER 4

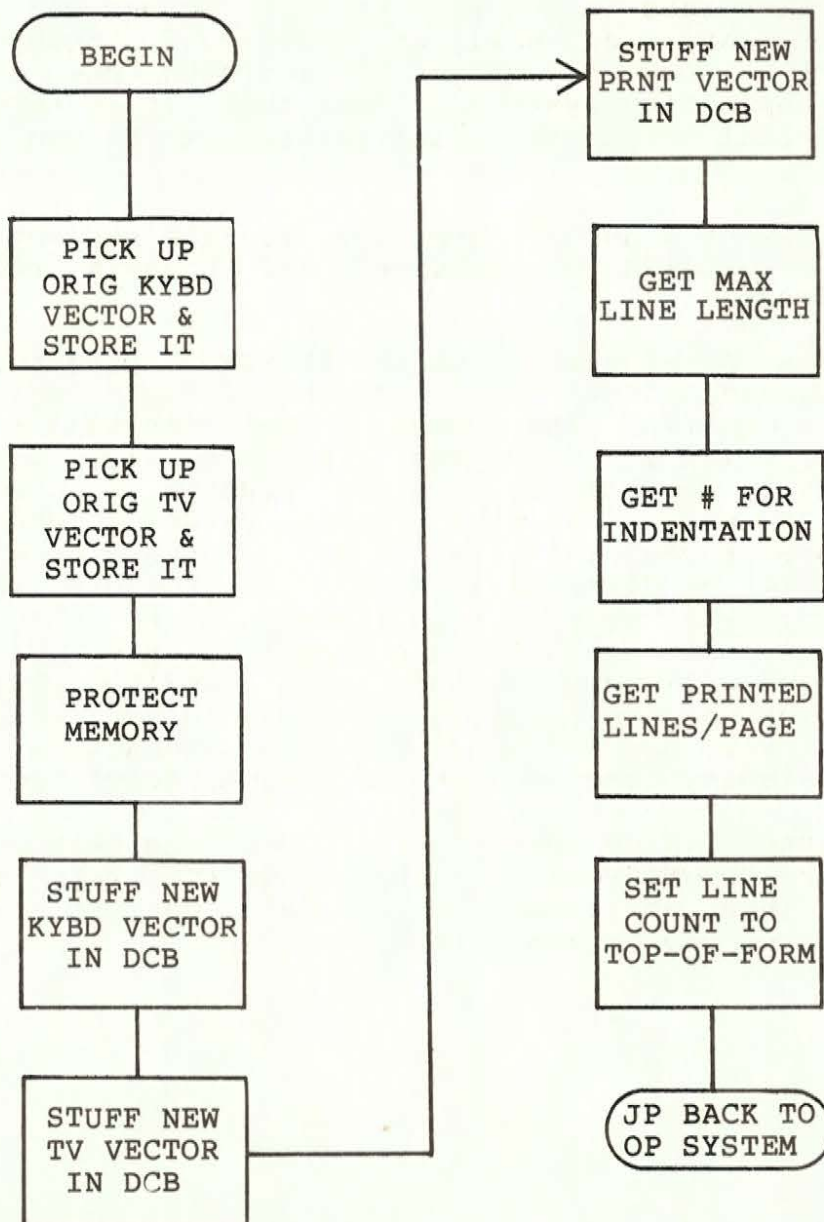
### KBDTVMOD ROUTINE

This routine illustrates how the input/output drivers can be modified to perform special tasks the programmer desires. The particular example provides a routine which intercepts characters being sent to the screen and sends them to the printer as well, upon command. Although this function may not now be needed if you have one of the latest disk operating systems, I feel that it is excellent from the tutorial standpoint and is well worth our time discussing it.

Audio lessons 8 and 9 cover the routine step-by-step. This chapter contains the documentation which is referred to in my discussion.

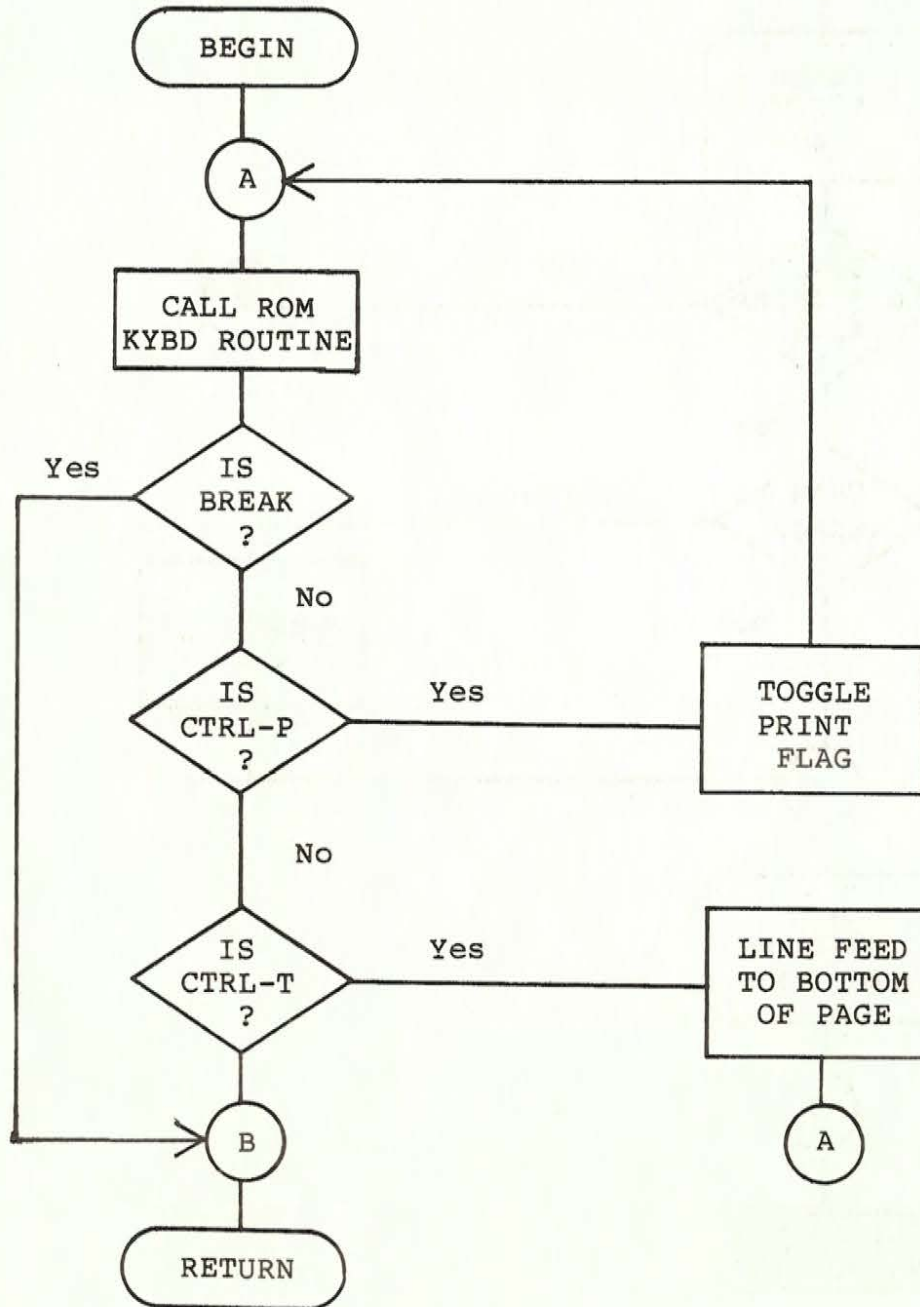
Here is a brief summary of the KBDTVMOD program. The keyboard, TV, and printer device control blocks are modified to accomplish the task. By depressing the <DOWNARROW>, <SHIFT>, and <P> keys simultaneously, the user can alternately enable or disable sending a character destined to the screen to the printer as well. When the three keys are pressed the first time, all characters to be displayed will be directed also to the printer; pressing them once more will disable this function. In the current implementation, any special character less than an ASCII space character will be converted to a carriage return before being sent to the printer. This avoids possible misbehavior by your printer upon receiving characters which are special display functions -- CLS, EREOL, EREOF, etc.

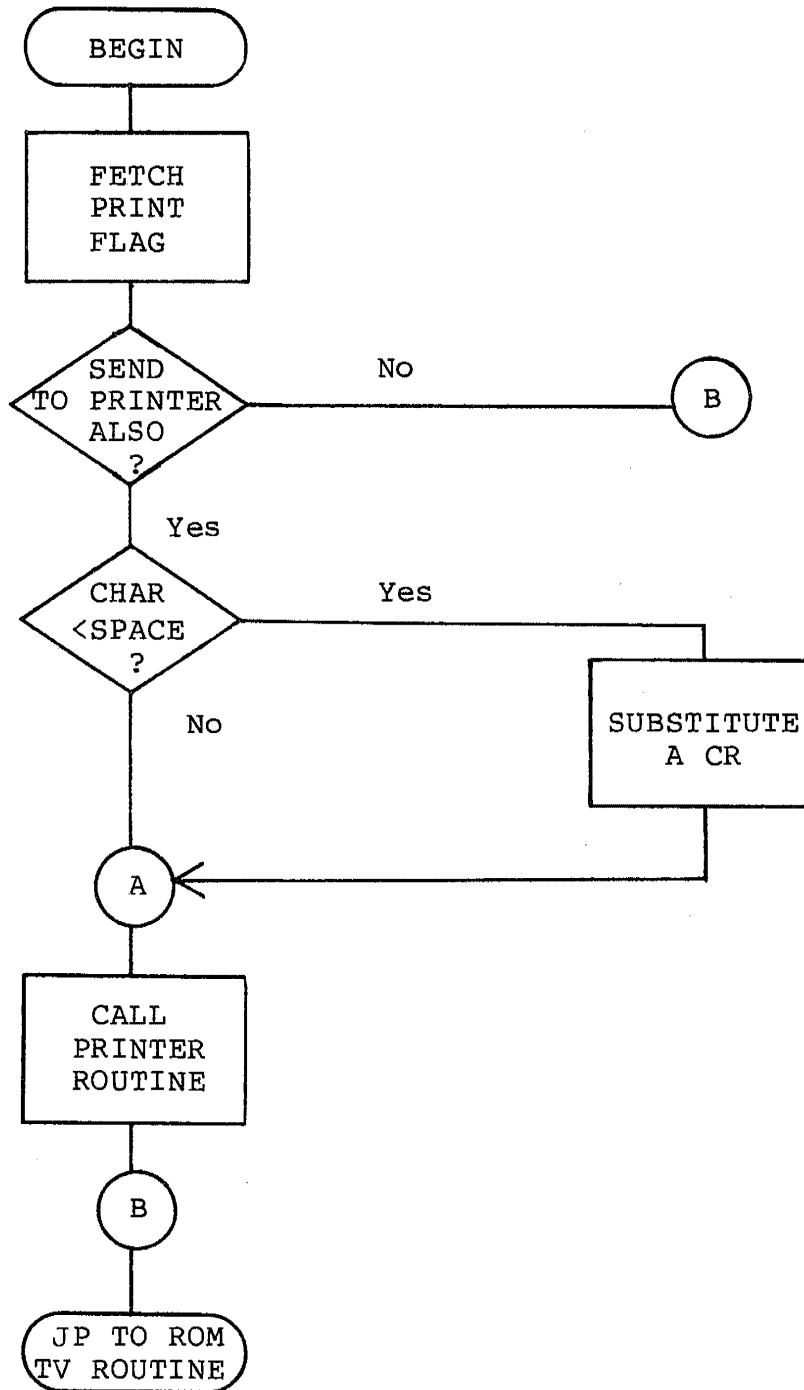
The printer can be sent to the top of the next page by depressing the <DOWNARROW>, <SHIFT>, and <T> keys simultaneously. There are some enhancements to this routine suggested at the end of audio lesson 9.

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Initialization Segment



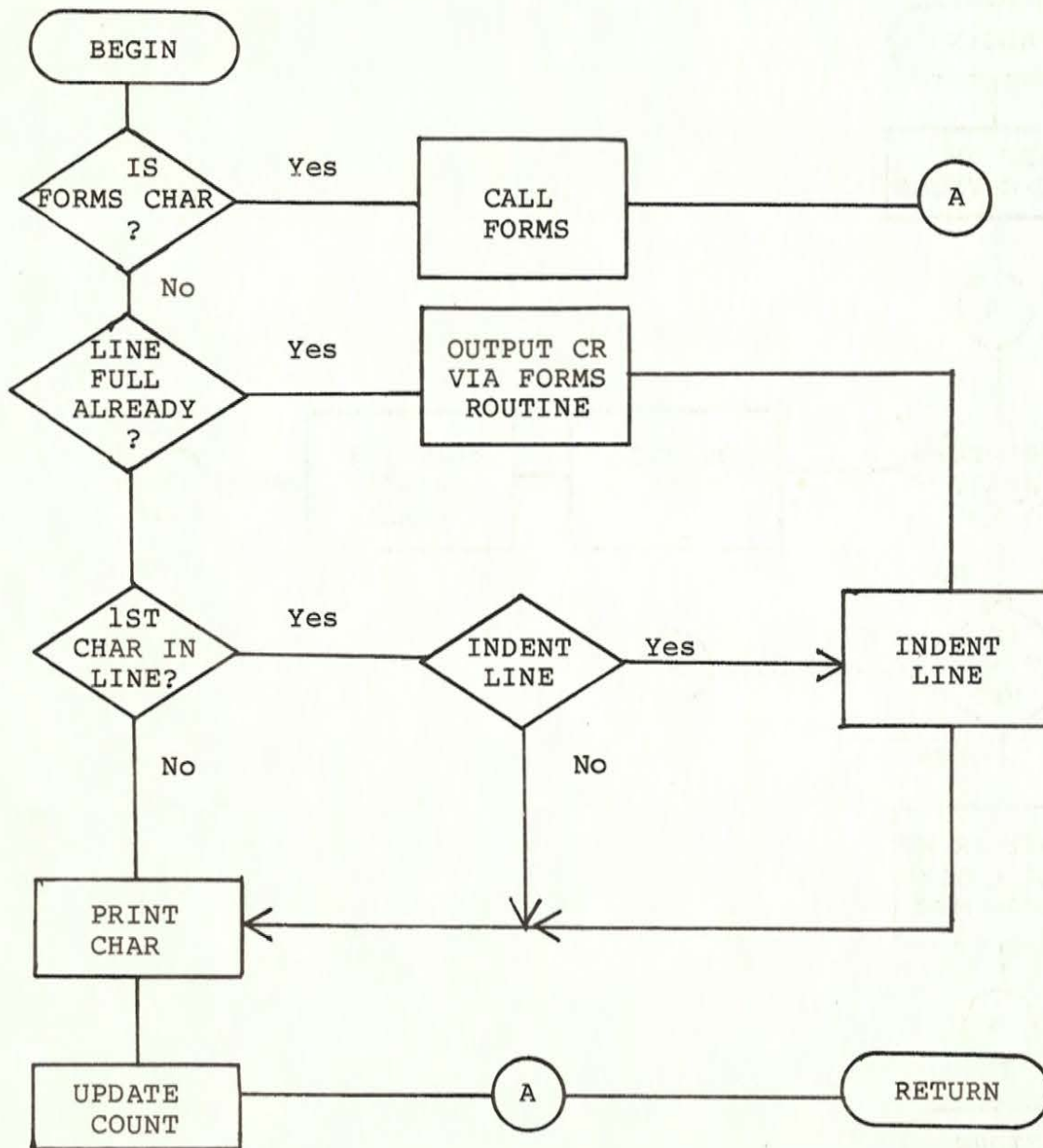
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KBDMOD Segment

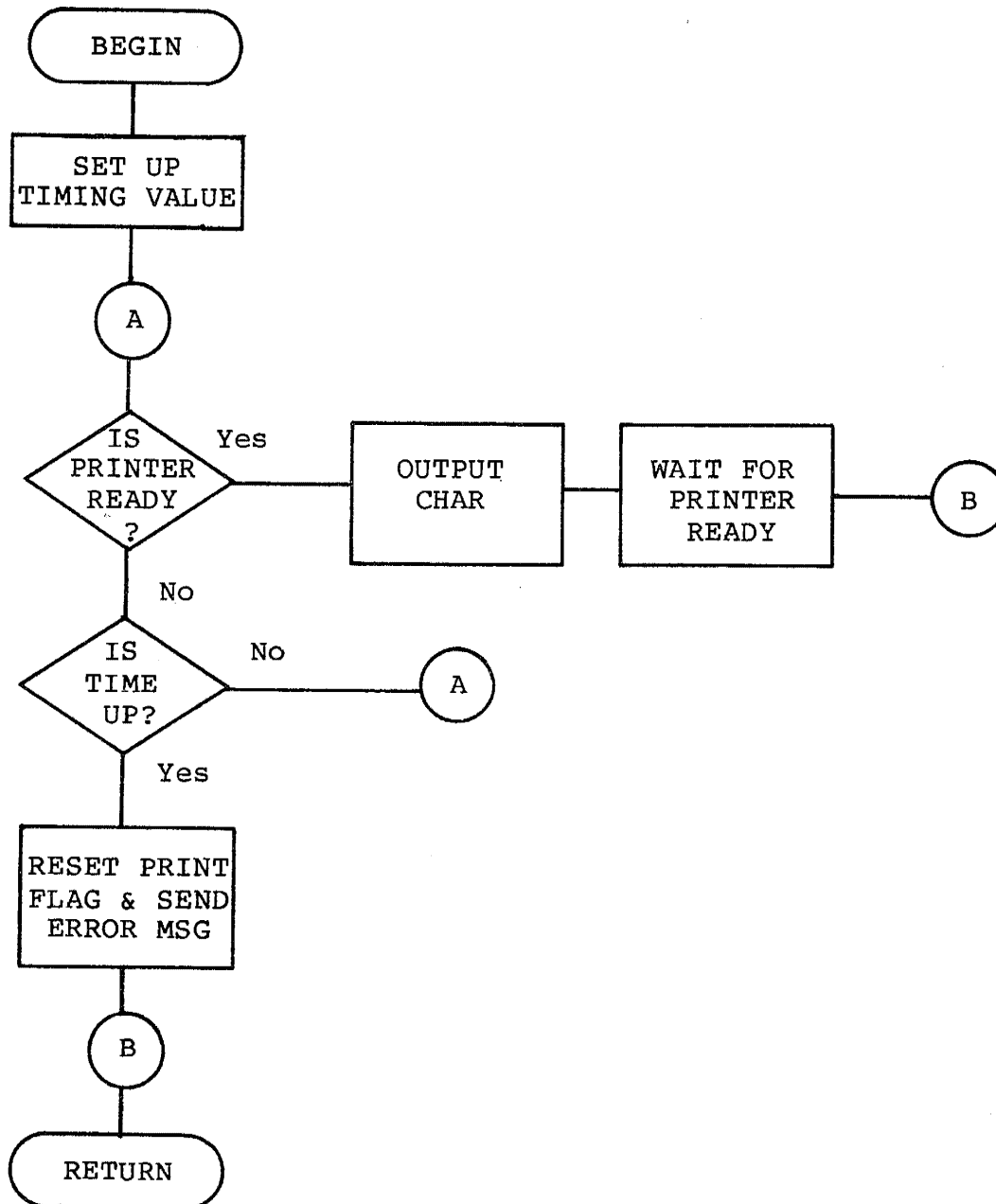


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TVMOD Segment

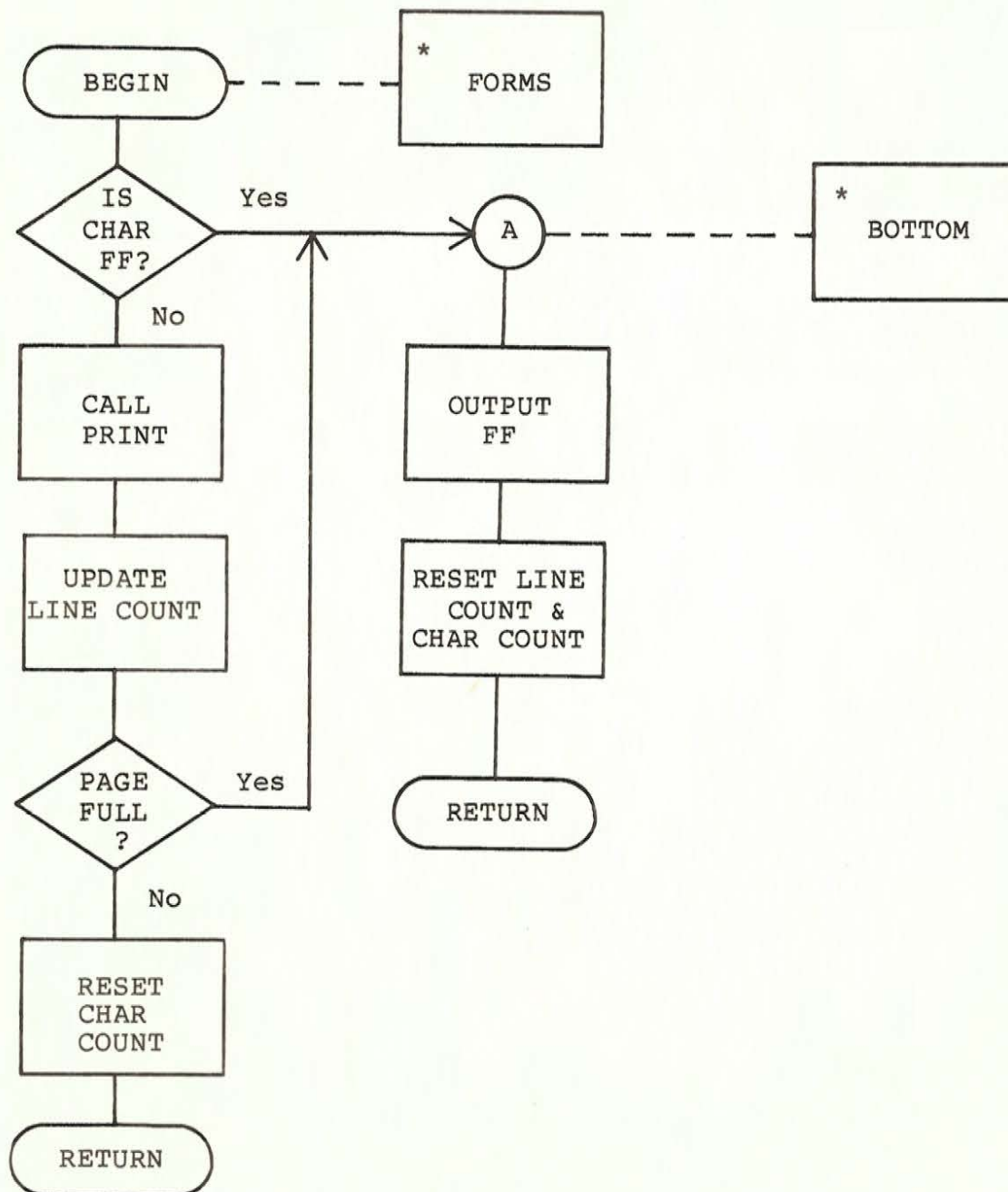


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Print Handler



FLOW CHART 5 OF 6  
PRINT Routine



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FORMS & BOTTOM Routines

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00010 ;
00020 ; 'KBDTVMOD' MODIFIES BOTH THE KEYBOARD AND TV ROUTINES
00030 ; SO THAT BY DEPRESSING THE DOWNARROW, SHIFT, AND "P" KEYS
00040 ; SIMULTANEOUSLY THE USER CAN ALTERNATELY ENABLE OR
00050 ; DISABLE SENDING A CHARACTER DESTINED FOR THE TV TO THE
00060 ; PRINTER AS WELL.  IN THE CURRENT IMPLEMENTATION, ANY
00070 ; NON-PRINTING CHARACTER LESS THAN A SPACE IS CONVERTED
00080 ; TO A CR-LF COMBINATION.  THIS AVOIDS COMPLEXITIES
00090 ; INCURRED WITH THE CLS FUNCTION, EREOL, OR EREOF, ETC.
00100 ; THE PRINTER CAN BE GIVEN A TOP-OF-FORM COMMAND FROM
00110 ; THE KEYBOARD BY DEPRESSING THE DOWNARROW, SHIFT, AND
00120 ; "T" KEYS SIMULTANEOUSLY.
00130 ;
00140 ; EQUATES
00150 ;
4016 00160 KEYDRV EQU 4016H
401E 00170 TVDRV EQU 401EH
4026 00180 PRTRV EQU 4026H
402D 00190 SYSTEM EQU 402DH
4049 00200 TOPMEM EQU 4049H
40B1 00210 MEMTOP EQU 40B1H
40A0 00220 STRING EQU 40A0H
37E8 00230 PTSTAT EQU 37E8H
37E8 00240 PRINTR EQU 37E8H
00250 ;PRINTR EQU 0F8H
0040 00260 LINEIN EQU 40H
0033 00270 TV EQU 33H
1E4F 00280 DECBIN EQU 1E4FH
0010 00290 CTRLP EQU 16
0014 00300 CTRLT EQU 20
000D 00310 CR EQU 0DH
000A 00320 LF EQU 0AH
000C 00330 FF EQU 0CH
0001 00340 BREAK EQU 1
4029 00350 LINCNT EQU 4029H
00360 ;
FE00 00370 ORG 0FE00H
00380 ;
FE00 2A1640 00390 START: LD HL,(KEYDRV)
FE03 2251FE 00400 LD (KEYSTR),HL
FE06 2A1E40 00410 LD HL,(TVDRV)
FE09 228BFE 00420 LD (TVSTR),HL
FE0C 214FFE 00430 LD HL,KBDMOD-1
FE0F 224940 00440 LD (TOPMEM),HL
FE12 22B140 00450 LD (MEMTOP),HL
FE15 11CEFF 00460 LD DE,0FFCEH
FE18 19 00470 ADD HL,DE
FE19 22A040 00480 LD (STRING),HL
FE1C 2150FE 00490 LD HL,KBDMOD
FE1F 221640 00500 LD (KEYDRV),HL
FE22 2170FE 00510 LD HL,TVMOD
FE25 221E40 00520 LD (TVDRV),HL
FE28 218DFE 00530 LD HL,PRNTR

;1A19H FOR LEVEL II
;MODEL I ONLY

;PRINTER STATUS ADDR
;FOR MODEL I ONLY
;FOR MODEL III ONLY

;PICK UP ORIG KYBD
;VECTOR AND PLACE IT
;SAME FOR TV VECTOR

;PROTECT MEMORY
;MODEL I ONLY

;ALLOW FOR STRING MEM

;SET NEW KYBD VECTOR
;SET NEW TV VECTOR

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FE2B 222640 00540 LD (PRTDRV),HL
FE2E 2152FF 00550 LD HL,LENMSG ;ASK FOR MAX LINE LEN
FE31 CD10FF 00560 CALL GETNUM
FE34 329EFE 00570 LD (LINLEN),A
FE37 2174FF 00580 LD HL,NDNTMS ;GET # OF COLS
FE3A CD10FF 00590 CALL GETNUM ;FOR INDENTATION
FE3D 3251FF 00600 LD (INDENT),A
FE40 2194FF 00610 LD HL,LINMSG ;GET # OF PRINTED
FE43 CD10FF 00620 CALL GETNUM ;LINES / PAGE
FE46 3236FF 00630 LD (LINES),A
FE49 AF 00640 XOR A ;SET LINCNT
FE4A 322940 00650 LD (LINCNT),A ;AT TOP-OF-FORM
FE4D C32D40 00660 JP SYSTEM ;GO BACK TO SYSTEM
00670 ;
FE50 CD50FE 00680 KBDMOD: CALL KBDMOD ;CALL ORIG KYBD
FE51 00690 KEYSTR EQU KBDMOD+1 ;VECTOR LOCATION
FE53 FE01 00700 CP BREAK ;BREAK KEY?
FE55 C8 00710 RET Z ;YES
FE56 FE10 00720 CP CTRLP ;IS CHAR PRINT TOGGLE?
FE58 200A 00730 JR NZ,TOPTST ;NO, CHECK TOP OF FORM
FE5A 3A4FFF 00740 LD A,(PRTFLG) ;YES, TOGGLE PRINT
FE5D EE01 00750 XOR 1 ;FLAG STATUS
FE5F 324FFF 00760 LD (PRTFLG),A ;AND SAVE NEW FLAG
FE62 18EC 00770 JR KBDMOD
FE64 FE14 00780 TOPTST: CP CTRLT
FE66 C0 00790 RET NZ
FE67 3A2940 00800 LD A,(LINCNT) ;PARTIAL PAGE?
FE6A B7 00810 OR A
FE6B C43EFF 00820 CALL NZ,BOTTOM ;YES, FORM FEED
FE6E 18E0 00830 JR KBDMOD
00840 ;
FE70 F5 00850 TVMOD: PUSH AF
FE71 C5 00860 PUSH BC
FE72 D5 00870 PUSH DE
FE73 3A4FFF 00880 LD A,(PRTFLG) ;FETCH PRINT FLAG
FE76 A7 00890 AND A ;TEST FOR ZERO
FE77 79 00900 LD A,C
FE78 280D 00910 JR Z,TVOUT ;IF ZERO, DON'T PRINT
FE7A FE20 00920 CP ' ' ;PRINTABLE CHAR?
FE7C 3006 00930 JR NC,TVM0 ;YES
FE7E FE0E 00940 CP CR+1 ;SCREEN CNTRL CHAR?
FE80 3802 00950 JR C,TVM0 ;NO
FE82 0E0D 00960 LD C,CR ;YES, SUBST CR
FE84 CD8DFE 00970 TVM0: CALL PRNTR ;PRINT CHAR
FE87 D1 00980 TVOUT: POP DE
FE88 C1 00990 POP BC
FE89 F1 01000 POP AF
FE8B 01010 TVSTR EQU $+1 ;JUMP TO ORIG
FE8A C30000 01020 JP 0 ;TV VECTOR LOCN
01030 ;
FE8D F5 01040 PRNTR: PUSH AF
FE8E C5 01050 PUSH BC
FE8F D5 01060 PUSH DE

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FE90 79      01070      LD      A,C      ;CHAR TO BE PRINTED
FE91 FE20    01080      CP      ' '      ;FORMS CNTRL CHAR?
FE93 3005    01090      JR      NC,NOFORM ;NO
FE95 CD26FF  01100      CALL    FORMS     ;YES, HANDLE IT
FE98 182E    01110      JR      PRTOUT    ;EXIT
FE9A 3A50FF  01120 NOFORM: LD      A,(CHRCNT) ;FETCH CHAR COUNT
FE9D FE50    01130      CP      80        ;LINE FULL ALREADY?
FE9E         01140 LINLEN EQU      $-1
FE9F 380A    01150      JR      C,CHK1ST   ;NOT YET
FEA1 C5      01160      PUSH    BC        ;FULL LINE
FEA2 0E0D    01170      LD      C,CR      ;PRINT CR
FEA4 CD26FF  01180      CALL    FORMS
FEA7 C1      01190      POP      BC
FEA8 3A50FF  01200      LD      A,(CHRCNT) ;RESUME TESTING
FEAB A7      01210 CHK1ST: AND      A      ;1ST CHAR IN LINE?
FEAC 2010    01220      JR      NZ,NOT1ST  ;NO
FEAE 3A51FF  01230      LD      A,(INDENT) ;GET # TO INDENT
FEB1 B7      01240      OR      A        ;NO INDENT WANTED?
FEB2 280A    01250      JR      Z,NOT1ST  ;THAT'S RIGHT
FEB4 C5      01260      PUSH    BC        ;INDENT THE LINE
FEB5 47      01270      LD      B,A      ;# OF COLS TO B
FEB6 0E20    01280 INDLUP: LD      C,' '  ;OUTPUT SPACES
FEB8 CDCCFE  01290      CALL    PRINT
FEBB 10F9    01300      DJNZ    INDLUP
FEBD C1      01310      POP      BC
FEBE CDCCFE  01320 NOT1ST: CALL    PRINT   ;PRINT THE CHAR
FEC1 3A50FF  01330      LD      A,(CHRCNT) ;UPDATE THE CHAR COUNT
FEC4 3C      01340      INC      A
FEC5 3250FF  01350      LD      (CHRCNT),A
FEC8 D1      01360 PRTOUT: POP      DE
FEC9 C1      01370      POP      BC
FECA F1      01380      POP      AF
FECB C9      01390      RET
          01400 ;
FECC F5      01410 PRINT:  PUSH    AF
FECD E5      01420      PUSH    HL
FECE C5      01430      PUSH    BC
FECF 015000  01440      LD      BC,80     ;SET UP TIME OUT VALUE
FED2 3AE837  01450 PR1:   LD      A,(PTSTAT) ;GET PRINTER STATUS
FED5 E6F0    01460      AND      0F0H
FED7 FE30    01470      CP      30H      ;PRINTER READY?
FED9 2811    01480      JR      Z,PR2    ;YES, GO TO IT, KID!
FEDB 10F5    01490      DJNZ    PR1      ;NO, CONTINUE TIMEOUT
FEDD 0D      01500      DEC      C
FEDE 20F2    01510      JR      NZ,PR1
          01520 ;
          01530 ; IF IT GOES ALL WAY THRU TIMING LOOP, PRINTER
          01540 ; EITHER IS NOT TURNED ON OR ISN'T IN THE SYSTEM!
          01550 ;
FEE0 97      01560      SUB      A      ;RESET PRINT FLAG
FEE1 324FFF  01570      LD      (PRTFLG),A ;TO TV ALONE
FEE4 21B4FF  01580      LD      HL,NOPRNT ;SEND ERROR MSG
FEE7 CDFFFE  01590      CALL    LINOUT

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FEEA 180F	01600	JR	PRTRET	;AND EXIT
FEEC C1	01610	PR2: POP	BC	;RETRIEVE ORIG CHAR
FEED C5	01620	PUSH	BC	;AND RESAVE IT
EEEE 79	01630	LD	A,C	;FETCH CHAR TO PRINT
FEFF 32E837	01640	LD	(PRINTR),A	;FOR MODEL I ONLY
	01650	; OUT	(0F8H),A	;FOR MODEL III ONLY
FEF2 3AE837	01660	WAITLP: LD	A,(PTSTAT)	;WAIT FOR PRNTR RDY
FEF5 E6F0	01670	AND	0F0H	;BEFORE LEAVING
FEF7 FE30	01680	CP	30H	
FEF9 20F7	01690	JR	NZ,WAITLP	
FEFB C1	01700	PRTRET: POP	BC	
FEFC E1	01710	POP	HL	
FEFD F1	01720	POP	AF	
FEFE C9	01730	RET		
	01740	;		
	01750	; DISPLAYS MESSAGE ON SCREEN		
	01760	; HL REGS PNT TO 1ST CHAR OF MSG		
	01770	; MSG MUST HAVE 00 AS LAST BYTE		
	01780	;		
FEFF F5	01790	LINOUT: PUSH	AF	
FF00 E5	01800	PUSH	HL	
FF01 7E	01810	L1: LD	A,(HL)	
FF02 23	01820	INC	HL	
FF03 B7	01830	OR	A	
FF04 2807	01840	JR	Z,L2	
FF06 D5	01850	PUSH	DE	
FF07 CD3300	01860	CALL	TV	
FF0A D1	01870	POP	DE	
FF0B 18F4	01880	JR	L1	
FF0D E1	01890	L2: POP	HL	
FF0E F1	01900	POP	AF	
FF0F C9	01910	RET		
	01920	;		
FF10 C5	01930	GETNUM: PUSH	BC	
FF11 D5	01940	PUSH	DE	
FF12 E5	01950	PUSH	HL	
FF13 CDFFFE	01960	CALL	LINOUT	
FF16 061E	01970	LD	B,30	;GET DECIMAL LINE LEN
FF18 2100FE	01980	LD	HL,START	
FF1B CD4000	01990	CALL	LINEIN	
FF1E CD4F1E	02000	CALL	DECBIN	;CNVRT TO BINARY
FF21 7B	02010	LD	A,E	;MOVE TO ACC
FF22 E1	02020	POP	HL	
FF23 D1	02030	POP	DE	
FF24 C1	02040	POP	BC	
FF25 C9	02050	RET		
	02060	;		
FF26 79	02070	FORMS: LD	A,C	;FETCH CHAR TO PRINT
FF27 FE0C	02080	CP	FF	;FORM FEED CHAR?
FF29 2813	02090	JR	Z,BOTTOM	;YES, END PAGE
FF2B CDCCFE	02100	CALL	PRINT	;NO, PRINT CHAR
FF2E 3A2940	02110	LD	A,(LINCNT)	;UPDATE LINE COUNT
FF31 3C	02120	INC	A	

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FF32 322940    02130      LD      (LINCNT),A
FF35 FE36      02140      CP       54                      ;FINISHED W/ PAGE?
FF36           02150  LINES EQU      $-1
FF37 3005      02160      JR       NC,BOTTOM              ;YES, END PAGE
FF39 AF        02170      XOR      A                      ;NO, RESET CHAR COUNT
FF3A 3250FF    02180      LD      (CHRCNT),A
FF3D C9        02190      RET
                02200 ;
FF3E C5        02210  BOTTOM: PUSH    BC
FF3F D5        02220      PUSH    DE
FF40 0E0C      02230      LD      C,FF
FF42 CDCCFE    02240      CALL    PRINT
FF45 AF        02250      XOR      A                      ;INIT LINCNT
FF46 322940    02260      LD      (LINCNT),A
FF49 3250FF    02270      LD      (CHRCNT),A              ;INIT CHRCNT
FF4C D1        02280      POP     DE
FF4D C1        02290      POP     BC
FF4E C9        02300      RET
                02310 ;
                02320 ; PRINT FLAG STORAGE: DEFB IS USED TO INITIALIZE
                02330 ; TO 'OFF' STATUS
                02340 ;
FF4F 00        02350  PRTFLG: DEFB    0
                02360 ;
FF50 00        02370  CHRCNT: DEFB    0
FF51 00        02380  INDENT: DEFB    0
                02390 ;
FF52 45        02400  LENMSG: DEFM    'ENTER MAX NO. OF CHARS PER LINE: '
FF53 4E
FF54 54
FF55 45
FF56 52
FF57 20
FF58 4D
FF59 41
FF5A 58
FF5B 20
FF5C 4E
FF5D 4F
FF5E 2E
FF5F 20
FF60 4F
FF61 46
FF62 20
FF63 43
FF64 48
FF65 41
FF66 52
FF67 53
FF68 20
FF69 50
FF6A 45
FF6B 52

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FF6C 20  
FF6D 4C  
FF6E 49  
FF6F 4E  
FF70 45  
FF71 3A  
FF72 20  
FF73 00

02410                   DEFB       0  
02420 ;  
02430 NDNTMS: DEFM       'ENTER NO. OF SPACES TO INDENT: '

FF74 45  
FF75 4E  
FF76 54  
FF77 45  
FF78 52  
FF79 20  
FF7A 4E  
FF7B 4F  
FF7C 2E  
FF7D 20  
FF7E 4F  
FF7F 46  
FF80 20  
FF81 53  
FF82 50  
FF83 41  
FF84 43  
FF85 45  
FF86 53  
FF87 20  
FF88 54  
FF89 4F  
FF8A 20  
FF8B 49  
FF8C 4E  
FF8D 44  
FF8E 45  
FF8F 4E  
FF90 54  
FF91 3A  
FF92 20  
FF93 00

02440                   DEFB       0  
02450 ;  
02460 LINMSG: DEFM       'ENTER NO. OF PRINT LINES/PAGE: '

FF94 45  
FF95 4E  
FF96 54  
FF97 45  
FF98 52  
FF99 20  
FF9A 4E  
FF9B 4F  
FF9C 2E  
FF9D 20  
FF9E 4F



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FF9F 46
FFA0 20
FFA1 50
FFA2 52
FFA3 49
FFA4 4E
FFA5 54
FFA6 20
FFA7 4C
FFA8 49
FFA9 4E
FFAA 45
FFAB 53
FFAC 2F
FFAD 50
FFAE 41
FFAF 47
FFB0 45
FFB1 3A
FFB2 20
FFB3 00      02470      DEFB      0
              02480 ;
FFB4 0D      02490 NOPRNT: DEFB      CR
FFB5 50      02500      DEFB      'PRINTER NOT READY'
FFB6 52
FFB7 49
FFB8 4E
FFB9 54
FFBA 45
FFBB 52
FFBC 20
FFBD 4E
FFBE 4F
FFBF 54
FFC0 20
FFC1 52
FFC2 45
FFC3 41
FFC4 44
FFC5 59
FFC6 0D00    02510      DEFW      CR
              02520 ;
FE00         02530      END      START
00000 Total Errors

L2      FF0D
L1      FF01
WAITLP  FEF2
PRTRET  FEFB
LINOUT  FEFF
NOPRNT  FFB4
PR2     FEEC
PR1     FED2

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## CHAPTER 5

### FOLLOW THE BOUNCING BALL

One problem that many novice assembly language programmers have is putting the instructions they have laboriously studied together to make a program. It is akin to studying a dictionary to learn the definitions of many words, but then finding out that you do not know how to form sentences, paragraphs, chapters, etc.

If you are going to be able to author that veritable masterpiece of a program, you must learn how to string instruction sequences together to accomplish something worthwhile. We have seen a couple of examples of programs already, and I have tried to give you some idea of WHY I chose the given instruction sequences. However, the examples were fairly short, though useful.

What I want to do now is to present a rather lengthy program to you. I will attempt to give you a perspective of how an experienced assembly language programmer (you guessed him -- me!) approaches a non-trivial programming task. You may be surprised to find it very similar to the approach you have developed in your BASIC or other programming.

I cannot resist, and indeed have not resisted, the opportunity to interlace liberally my opinions, biases, and suggestions about general techniques of programming throughout the discussion of the details pertinent to the present example. So what follows is a mixture of general and specific, with my goal being for you to thoroughly understand what I did and why I did it. Keep in mind that what I will be demonstrating is not THE right way to do a given task, but only ONE OF THE MANY "right" ways!

It will require careful study on your part to assimilate all that I will be discussing. It also will require you to key the program in and assemble it if you want to get maximum benefit from the exercise. To make it truly fun, you will have to implement some enhancements I will suggest later! Remember, learning assembly or any other language is not achieved by merely reading or listening to a lecturer! You must practice!, practice!, practice!, practice!, and then practice your practice! I wish there were some easier way, but you are a friend and I must be truthful with you!



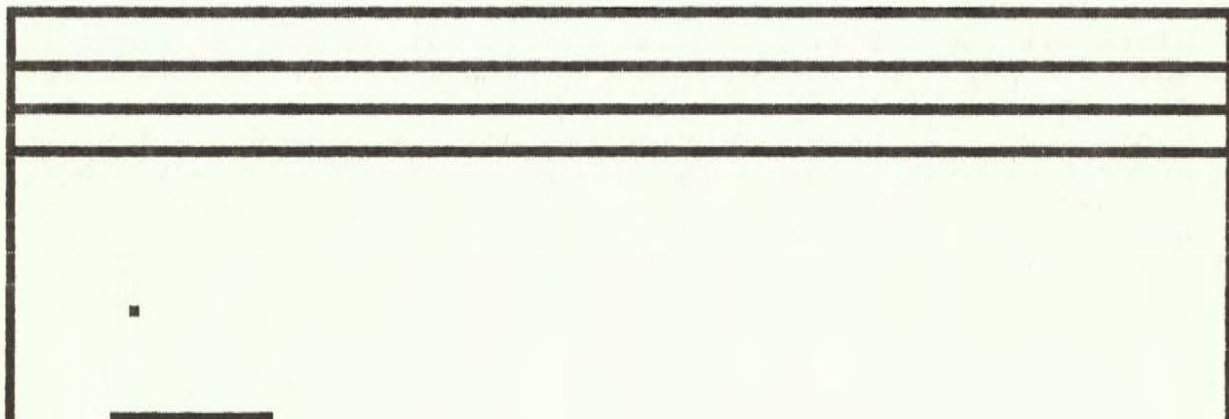
ON TO THE PROGRAM!!! First, what is it? It is a game! Now don't elevate your nose in snobbery!! Games programming is worth anyone's attention, even though you intend to do something entirely different later on with your knowledge of assembly programming. Many of the techniques for getting fast action on the screen are remarkably similar to techniques for acquiring data in "real time" from an A/D converter, etc. So, listen up!

What is the game? Its name is BOUNCE, a fact which should give you a clue as to its nature. You guessed it!! It is a ping-pong-type game with a ball and paddle, and three walls to bounce the ball within. To make it a little more interesting and to show some neat techniques, I have added three rows of blocks for the ball to hit. A hit on any block will increment your score, the magnitude of the increment depending on which row of blocks the ball strikes. Before the game starts, you must input a skill level from 1 through 9, with 9 the easiest and slowest play. When you miss a ball with the paddle (a common occurrence with me, I am sorry to say!), the program will prompt you with a "new ball" message. So it is very forgiving of misses! You get an unlimited number of balls.

If you are familiar with some of the commercial games which involve bouncing balls, you will quickly see that BOUNCE is a primitive relative at best! However, I cannot think of a better way to illustrate many of the advantages of assembly language programming in such a graphic (pun intended) manner. The purpose of the exercise is TUTORIAL, so it will be to your advantage to study it closely, even though you are not the least bit interested in the game as such.

The playfield looks like this:

SCORE: 0000



The TRS-80 text screen is made up of 16 rows of 64 characters each. As usual when dealing with computers, the numbering starts with zero, so the vertical rows are numbered from 0 through 15 and the horizontal columns range from 0 and 63, inclusive. The top of the screen is row 0; the bottom is row 15. The left-most column is column 0; the right-most is column 63.

For graphics, each row is further split into three zones and each column is split into two zones (details start on page 5-6), so we have a total of 48 vertical positions (0 through 47) and 128 horizontal positions (0 through 127). In keeping with mathematical convention, I have called a vertical position a "Y" coordinate and a horizontal position an "X" coordinate. Thus, the position of the ball anywhere on the screen can be described by its X and Y coordinates. In the BOUNCE program I have called these "X" and "Y" -- no need getting tricky here!

So we know how to describe the ball's position. But, since the ball is moving, there are two other things we need to describe. First, we need to know in which direction the ball is traveling. The direction has two components, one for each coordinate. The X direction (XDIRXN) is positive if movement is from left to right, in other words, from smaller to larger X values; it is negative when movement is from right to left. The Y direction (YDIRXN) is positive when movement is from top to bottom, corresponding to increasing Y values; it is negative when movement is upward on the screen, from bottom to top.

Secondly, we need to know how much movement there is in each direction, i.e., the changes in X position and Y position, in the process of each "main move" of the ball. Once again in keeping with mathematical nomenclature, I call these XDELTA (for the change in X) and YDELTA (for the Y change). Both of these values have allowable amounts of 1 through 3, as you will see in detail later.

#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Before we start batting around in the game, I want to make sure that you and I know the same things about our TRS-80s concerning keyboard and screen functions. Of particular interest is the fact that both the keyboard and the screen are "memory-mapped". Well, Willis, what does that mean, you impatiently ask?! Let me digress from this digression to discuss the concept of memory-mapping.



The Z80 chip in our favorite computer is capable of addressing 64K of memory. The actual amount is 65,536 bytes. In addition to that, as I said in one of the lectures (you HAVE already listened to ALL the lectures, haven't you???), the Z80 can access 256 input ports and 256 output ports. So designers of Z80 computer systems have the choice of making any input/output device appear as one or more I/O ports OR ONE OR MORE MEMORY LOCATIONS! An overwhelming fact about our smart CPU is that it is dumb! We can very easily fake it into thinking that a byte of data it fetches from a given address is from an ordinary memory chip, when in fact it may be from contact closures on a keyboard, from an analog to digital converter, from a temperature sensor, from a joystick, etc.

Exactly how this is done is certainly beyond the scope of REMASSEM, but that does not prevent us from using the information. In this case, the keyboard is set up to use locations from 3800H to 3880H in memory. The actual configuration is not important to our discussion here. A full schematic of the keyboard addressing is in the pertinent Radio Shack Technical Reference Handbook for your TRS-80 model. If you do much assembly language programming, you will find purchase of the handbook worth its cost.

What I wanted to do was use the left arrow and right arrow keys on my TRS-80 to control the paddle. I did not have the technical handbook at hand, so I looked at addresses 3800H to 3880H with DEBUG and saw what address or addresses changed values when I pressed either the left arrow or the right arrow. This is a cumbersome way to work -- in fact it is nigh onto impossible with a Model III -- it is much better to use the handbook! It did have one beneficial result; it reminded me to tell you what follows. You will find if you try this that several addresses change -- this is a result of incomplete decoding of the addresses. An analogy would be that your home address is given just as a street in the city, rather than as a house on a street within a city. I admit it is an imperfect analogy since, in the keyboard's case, any address which shows the change will work. Fear not, just pick any one of the addresses you prefer and forge ahead! Any one will work as well as any other. The other residents on your street may well be irritable if you try the same thing with residences!

The left arrow and right arrow keys are located at 3840H (among other addresses) and this address holds 20H (32 decimal) when the left arrow is the one pressed and 40H (64 decimal) when the right arrow is pressed. So we can monitor for our desired keys just by looking at the value shown at one address!



What does this gain us? Why not just use the keycheck routine in the ROM? The keycheck routine (located at 2BH) returns a zero in the accumulator if no key is pressed and returns the ASCII value of the key if one is pressed. The problem with this arises if you would like to keep from pressing a key repetitively, for example, to move the paddle in our BOUNCE program. The keycheck routine requires you to release the key and re-press it each time. Keep that in mind, since some times that is exactly what you want -- the keycheck routine is a useful one.

However, any program should be "user-friendly". That is a very overworked term, but very true! No one will want to play a game for long if the left- and right-arrow keys must be quickly and violently pressed, released, pressed, released, etc., to move the paddle under the bouncing ball. No computer owner wants to see the keyboard mistreated in such a fashion, either! The BOUNCE program will illustrate how you can monitor a particular key or group of keys, and continue a desired action for as long as the key is pressed.

That is enough about the keyboard for now. What about the screen? Screen memory for both Models I and III resides in the area between 3C00H and 3FFFH, inclusive. When you invoke the ROM routine (at 33H) to display a character on the screen, it picks up a pointer to the next address to receive a character (the so-called "cursor position"), places the character there, updates the cursor position, and returns to the caller. When appropriate, the ROM routine effects scrolling, clears the screen, erases to the end of the current line, etc.. The pertinent point is that what is displayed on the screen is under software control. The hardware circuitry is continually and automatically displaying whatever resides in the screen memory area.

It surely has occurred to you that if the ROM routine can write to a specific address, so can you and I. We can also read the value at a specific address. This gives us true random access to any character on the screen!

#### Why Memory-Mapping?

What advantages do we receive from memory mapping of an input/output device to compensate for the reduced amount of RAM we then have available for general use? After all, we have those 256 input ports and 256 output ports available to us and we surely could use more RAM memory. (I have often wondered whether the programmers of mainframe computers having megabytes of RAM feel as you and I do -- there is almost but not quite enough memory to do the job we want! There seems to be some natural law to this effect!)

In the case of the keyboard, I cannot help but feel that the main consideration of the TRS-80 designers was COST! Whether or not this is true, a memory-mapped keyboard offers many advantages to the programmer. An excellent example is our use of the left and right arrow keys in the BOUNCE program. This likely would not be possible if a hardware keyboard decoder had been designed into our favorite computer. Furthermore, software decoding of the keyboard allows simultaneous multiple key depressions to have special meaning. Examples of this are the Model III screen print function and the NEWDOS screen print function invoked by simultaneous depression of the J, K, and L keys. I am sure you have seen other examples in programs you have studied. Software decoding offers a clever programmer a very versatile input system.

Concerning the screen, memory mapping provides quick access to any portion of the screen. This is why the most useful PRINT@ function has been implemented in the Models I and III versions of Microsoft BASIC. It is a simple matter for the BASIC interpreter to take the number following the "@", add this to the start of screen memory, and place this address in the cursor position pointer referred to above. The next character to be displayed will show up at this location on the screen.

An even more useful result of a memory-mapped screen, at least in our BOUNCE task, is that a particular location on the screen can be accessed and inspected. This forms the basis of the graphics capability in BASIC -- the SET, RESET, and POINT functions. As you already know, the Models I and III screens have 16 lines of 64 characters each. For graphics the screen is divided into a matrix of 48 vertical locations and 128 horizontal locations. I will call these smallest units "pixels".

Now for some quick calculations. Screen memory stretches from 3C00H through 3FFFH; that is 400H or 1024 bytes. In the graphics mode we have 48 times 128 locations which calculates to 6144 pixels. So each byte of screen memory has six graphics pixels within it. This means you and I will have to calculate more than just the byte address when we wish to SET, RESET, or POINT. How can we do this?

Below is the graphics character set. The first item shown in each group is the graphics character itself; next is the decimal value of that character; third is the corresponding hexadecimal value; and last is the hex value after the graphics bias of 80H has been removed.

█ 129 81 01	█ 130 82 02	█ 131 83 03	█ 132 84 04	█ 133 85 05	█ 134 86 06	█ 135 87 07
█ 136 88 08	█ 137 89 09	█ 138 8A 0A	█ 139 8B 0B	█ 140 8C 0C	█ 141 8D 0D	█ 142 8E 0E
█ 143 8F 0F	█ 144 90 10	█ 145 91 11	█ 146 92 12	█ 147 93 13	█ 148 94 14	█ 149 95 15
█ 150 96 16	█ 151 97 17	█ 152 98 18	█ 153 99 19	█ 154 9A 1A	█ 155 9B 1B	█ 156 9C 1C
█ 157 9D 1D	█ 158 9E 1E	█ 159 9F 1F	█ 160 A0 20	█ 161 A1 21	█ 162 A2 22	█ 163 A3 23
█ 164 A4 24	█ 165 A5 25	█ 166 A6 26	█ 167 A7 27	█ 168 A8 28	█ 169 A9 29	█ 170 AA 2A
█ 171 AB 2B	█ 172 AC 2C	█ 173 AD 2D	█ 174 AE 2E	█ 175 AF 2F	█ 176 B0 30	█ 177 B1 31
█ 178 B2 32	█ 179 B3 33	█ 180 B4 34	█ 181 B5 35	█ 182 B6 36	█ 183 B7 37	█ 184 B8 38
█ 185 B9 39	█ 186 BA 3A	█ 187 BB 3B	█ 188 BC 3C	█ 189 BD 3D	█ 190 BE 3E	█ 191 BF 3F

Most of the characters shown are combinations of the six fundamental characters. The six unique characters are 81H, 82H, 84H, 88H, 90H, and 0A0H. By inspecting the hex values after removal of the graphics bias, we see the following relationship:

1	█	2
4	█	8
10H	█	20H

So if we wanted to turn on only the upper left pixel and the lower right pixel of a given byte, we can calculate the value of the byte we send to the screen by first adding 1 (for upper left) and 20H (for lower right) and then adding the graphics bias, 80H, getting a final result of 0A1H. When we look up 0A1H (161 decimal) in the above table we find the expected graphics representation. So we now have the information we will need later for our assembly language SET, RESET, and POINT functions.



PROGRAMMING PREFERENCES, PREJUDICES, AND PRACTICES

I threatened to give you my opinions, biases, etc., about programming, so now is as good a time as any! My experience has been that the most common problems with programmers in ANY language is that they do not spend enough time planning and designing a program. I touched on this in Lesson 10. Although professional programmers are less prone to rush to the coding phase (perhaps!), it is almost universal among amateur microcomputer programmers to proceed quickly to the computer to begin to write instructions. After all, the computer is just sitting there waiting for me! I do not have to "time-share" with anyone else, and no one is looking over my shoulder to see my mistakes. What's the harm?

Do not let me burst your bubble, but an excellent way to judge the experience and acumen of a programmer is to observe how much time elapses and how it is spent between the initial consideration of the task and the beginning of the actual coding. My personal experience has been that the time spent designing a program, considering alternative algorithms or data structures, etc., is more than compensated for by the decreased debugging and rewriting time.

Once I have the structures of the program and data well in hand, I begin to write code. The first code written usually is the main routine with many subroutine calls; I'll say more about subroutines later. Then the various subroutines are written, with frequent testing during this process. Subroutines not yet written have just a RET instruction, i.e., they are simple "stubs". Furthermore, subroutines when first written are often mere "skeletons". Much flesh will be added before they are complete. I routinely follow the process of stepwise refinement I mentioned in Lesson 10. In this way, you can get the program "off the ground" fairly quickly. This is particularly important in routines which must operate in rapid, real-time fashion. You can judge the time limitations much better when you have a good, though simple, program operational. You may have to make compromises or revisions in your original algorithms, based on the performance of your program; the sooner you determine this, the less time and coding you waste. After you get initial performance data, then you can go back to augment and refine individual subroutines as well as code other "stub" routines for their initial testing.

In this manner the program becomes gradually more intricate. Poor algorithm choices will show up early, before you are tempted to patch the existing program because you have already invested so much time. This patching seldom works out, anyway, so I have found stepwise refinement one of the most useful approaches to program development.

All of this sounds simply grand, but we both know that there are times when you get a "brainstorm" well after program coding has begun, requiring a change of algorithm or at the very least a modification of some of the existing code. Modular programming has much to recommend it in this case. More about this later.

Let's look first at an overview of BOUNCE. There are three main features which I want to bring to your attention:

1. Many EQUate statements.
2. Many commented instructions.
3. Many subroutines.

All three of these practices are commonly followed by me when I am writing anything other than a trivial, short, quick and dirty routine. Even there, I have been puzzled upon looking back at routines I wrote a year or two ago!! Now what did I have in mind when I wrote that routine? A few comments and equates would be quite useful NOW!!

Although having a large program broken up into several subroutines with liberal equates and comments can be very helpful in later revisions or reviews, I feel that these features are even more important when you are first writing the program. Let me give some reasons for this statement, based on my experience.

As you have probably guessed by now even if you have not had much first-hand experience, efficient use of assembly language in many cases requires considerable knowledge of the hardware configuration of our computer. Acquisition of this information takes many paths, such as study of technical manuals and schematics, magazine articles, disassembly of commercial programs, etc. It is most important when we incorporate these items in our own programming that we choose meaningful mnemonics as soon as possible, so that we do not have to remember all of the details.

An example, on line 110 of the BOUNCE program, shows KEYCHK equated to 2BH. This is the keycheck routine discussed earlier. Later in the program when we see a

CALL KEYCHK

statement we likely will understand what is to be done by the routine.



This may not be true if we encountered a

CALL 2BH

statement. So an obvious use of the EQU pseudo-op is to define constants, so that they can be referred to symbolically for ease of use. This is illustrated in lines 110-180 of BOUNCE. As long as we work with the same computer, these values will not change.

Another obvious advantage of the EQU pseudo-op is illustrated in lines 190-260 of BOUNCE. Here once again we are defining constants (the EQU statement ALWAYS defines a constant), but we may want to change these constants and reassemble to get differing effects. In the present case, I am defining the rows and columns which make up the playfield boundaries. The screen has 16 rows (numbered 0 through 15), each of which is comprised of 64 characters (numbered 0 through 63). So here I am saying that the top wall of the playfield will be in row 1 (the second from the very top); the left wall is in column 0 and the right wall is in column 63. The left and right walls extend through row 13. As you will see later, this is also where the paddle will be located.

If you always want the playfield's dimensions to be the same, you may be tempted to use the actual values in the pertinent instructions (e.g., in line 560 or line 620.). Doing this, however, would force you to remember the significance of the number, probably requiring you to insert a specific comment in the source code. Also, if you add a feature later on which requires a change in the playfield dimensions, you will have to scan the program carefully to change all appropriate values to the new values. It is much simpler and more efficient to change the corresponding equates in lines 190-220.

An overview of the BOUNCE program reveals that it has many modules. I am a firm believer in the benefits of modular programming. In fact you will find some subroutines in BOUNCE that are called only one time! Conventional wisdom says that you should count bytes to determine whether you split out the code as a subroutine or place it "in-line" for the times you need it. Obviously, the more times an instruction sequence is needed in a given program, the more desirable it is to make that sequence a subroutine. Certainly a routine that is called only once is wasteful of memory (for the CALL and RET instructions) as well as time (for the CALL and RET instructions). So why have a subroutine? Well I admit that I normally move the code in-line after I am sure that I need it only once. I deliberately left the routines in BOUNCE as is to illustrate a point.



My point is that anything I can do to limit the amount of information I need to keep in mind when writing any particular section of code is most helpful. If you consider breaking up a complex task into several simple tasks you will be well ahead. So I think in terms of subroutines which each have only one or two functions. Furthermore, I ordinarily follow the practice of having the subroutine preserve all registers except the accumulator; the sole regular exception to this is when the subroutine must pass data back to the calling routine using one or more registers. When I am coding a subroutine, I need only to remember what the subroutine will need as data or will receive as input, what the subroutine must do to or with these data, and what output must issue as a result of the subroutine's action. The subroutine can be a true "black box" to the calling routine, which does not need to know anything about how the subroutine works! If the program is well designed, I have no worry about strange interaction of subroutines.

This is why the design step is SO important! This is when you must consider the interaction of the modules -- in fact, this should be the ONLY time you consider the hierarchy of the various modules. If you must keep these facts in mind throughout the coding process, you have not really modularized the program! Shame on you! Go back and redo it until you get it right.

DISSECTION OF BOUNCE

I want now to go into a step-by-step discussion of the BOUNCE program. A complete assembly listing of the program starts on page 5-31. If you have not already done so, I suggest you take the listing out of the binder and place it alongside the text so that your eyes can move readily from one to the other. For lack of a better approach, I will discuss the modules in the order they occur in the listing. The number(s) after the heading of each section below is the line number(s) of the first statement in the source code segment.

**Equates (110)**

Quite a bit has already been said about the equates, so I will not spend much more time here. Just refer back to these as you need to during the discussion of the various routines. The only thing I think I need to point out at this time is the use of the "shift" pseudo-op, as illustrated in line 230 of BOUNCE. The "<" means to perform an arithmetic shift -- if the number following the "<" is positive, it is a shift left; if negative, a shift right. In line 230 I am shifting left 1 bit (equivalent to multiplying by 2) and then adding the original value + 1 to it. The net effect is  $ROWMIN * 3 + 1$ . Likewise, in line 260 I am multiplying  $COLMAX * 2$ . The reasons for this will become apparent as we discuss the routines using these values. Remember that a pseudo-op is an instruction to only the assembler. The assembler will do the calculations if an expression is given; the result of this expression evaluation is a constant.

**Main Routine (400)**

The main routine extends from line 400 through line 1400. We first must clear the screen and initialize the score to zero. As you have seen earlier, there is a ROM routine at 1C9H which nicely clears the screen; I did not use that one for reasons I'll discuss later.

Next, in lines 440-460, the "SCORE:" message is displayed on the screen. Then the top line of the playfield is drawn. The segment in lines 470-510 takes row and column data (ROWMIN and COLMIN, in this case) and converts that into a specific address in screen memory; I'll say more about the GETADR routine later. Line 520 loads the accumulator with 97H, the graphics character for the top left corner of the playfield (see above for what the character looks like), and stores it in the location pointed to by the HL register pair. After incrementing the memory pointer in line 540, consecutive 83H's are written across the screen and finally a 0ABH forms the top right corner of



the playfield. Note the use of register B as a loop counter, using the DJNZ instruction discussed in the audio lectures.

In like manner, the left and right walls are drawn in lines 620-710. The paddle is then drawn in lines 720-780. Since the paddle can be (and will be, eventually) drawn anywhere on the appropriate line across the screen, I use a subroutine (PDLSET) which needs only the left-most paddle location and the width of the paddle in pixels. Note the use of the accumulator to pass the position to the PDLSET routine. Since the subroutine changes the value in the accumulator, we must preserve it here with PUSH and POP instructions. Remember, the POP instruction will duplicate the two bytes pointed to by the stack pointer into the 16-bit register or register pair indicated in the instruction. The stack pointer will then be incremented by two. Details, details!! Actually, the stack pointer picks up one byte at a time, incrementing after each byte, but the net effect is the same -- the stack operations are all 16-bit operations. You cannot just POP B, you must POP BC.

It is important to remember that there is nothing magic about the stack pointer or the stack itself. The stack is ordinary RAM just like any other. Why is this important to remember? Simply this -- you can have a whole series of POPs without corresponding PUSHes; you will never exhaust the stack -- it will keep on giving you 16 bits of data each POP, long after you have gotten all of the meaningful information. The programmer MUST match PUSHes and POPs! Otherwise, it's GIGO!!! (Garbage In, Garbage Out). The garbage your program is eating may be itself!

Line 790 calls the routine to draw the blocks. More about this later.

Lines 800-960 prompt for the desired skill level of play, convert the ASCII digit obtained to a binary number, store it away for later use, and erase the skill level message. WHEW! Actually, it is not so difficult. First we display the prompt message and call for a character from the keyboard. Lines 840-870 insist that it be a digit between 1 and 9, inclusive. These instructions show very typical uses of the flags to determine appropriate action. The carry flag after a compare operation is set only if the value in the accumulator is less than the value with which you are comparing it. The four RLCA instructions are an economical (4 bytes) way to multiply an 8-bit value by 16. Later on you will see a way to divide by 16.



Lines 940-960 may seem a crude way to erase a message from the screen, but it really is not. You will find many of the operations in assembly language rather primitive, but effective!

Line 970 labelled "NUBALL" resets the stack pointer to the same address given in line 400. Why is this instruction necessary? Any time you want to restart a section of your program and want to be sure you have a balanced stack, you should use this kind of instruction. So, what is a "balanced" stack, Willis? If you have a corresponding POP for every PUSH, the stack should remain in balance. Likewise you should match up CALLs and RETurns. Keep in mind that when a RET instruction is encountered, the next two bytes on the stack will be popped into the program counter and execution will begin there. If data PUSHed by a subroutine are still on the stack (not POPped off), the top two bytes of these data will be used as the return address.

That will produce INTERESTING behavior, but probably not DESIRABLE behavior! A stack is considered balanced if there is a balancing POP for every PUSH, a balancing RETurn for every CALL, etc.

Why would the stack not be balanced at this point? Obviously, the first time through it would be balanced! NUBALL is a re-entry point, however, as you will see later, and can be re-entered from different levels of nested subroutines. The easiest way to clean things up is to simply reset the stack pointer to a safe value. In this example, I am writing a stand-alone program, so I know where a safe area of memory is for the stack. In many situations I will be interfacing with unknown other programs and will not know an absolute address which is all right for the stack pointer. In those cases, line 400 could be replaced by:

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LD (STAK),SP
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where STAK is a 16-bit data area somewhere in your program. For example, you could place it just after the SCORE data area shown in line 5810. Then line 970 could be:

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NUBALL LD SP,(STAK)
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Although you do not know ahead of time where the stack pointer is pointing, it should be apparent that you no longer need to know.



A register you probably will not use too often is used in line 980. The refresh register, R, is a very nice feature of the Z80 chip; it allows use of so-called "dynamic" memory chips. I do not really know why they are called dynamic, and why the other kind is called static, but the pertinent characteristic is that dynamic cells lose their memory if not refreshed quite often. WHO SAYS COMPUTERS ARE NOT HUMAN-LIKE?? The Z80 chip, using the R register as the lower 8 bits of the address, performs this refresh operation. The merely mortal programmer has enough to worry about without this, so the chip takes care of it all by itself -- the jargon is "the refresh operation is 'transparent' to the programmer". Since the R register is being continually incremented by the Z80 chip, it can serve as a pseudo-random number source for a program. Let us discuss random numbers for a while.

For a number to be truly random, there must be something which has occurred that was "random". An example is any interaction between a human and the computer. The program is not at all random in nature -- each instruction takes a given number of clock cycles, and if one needs to, one can calculate the number of clock cycles a sequence of instructions will take to execute. On the other hand, the human is very unpredictable as far as how long he or she will take to respond to a prompt string, for example, and so an element of randomness can be introduced in this way.

In the same manner, the precise time that a program begins execution is random because of the human. So this first use of the R register will give at least a pseudo-random value. On the other hand, the use of the R register in line 1220 will not give a random number because there is a fixed number of clock cycles between the instruction in line 980 and the instruction in line 1220. It does not matter for our purposes here, but the concept should be understood well, since you will need random numbers randomly in the future.

After we get the pseudorandom number, we must test it to make sure it lies in value between XLOW and XHIGH. Once again, in lines 1000-1050, we use the carry flag information to advantage. The Y location is always just under the lower row of blocks.

Next we need to get values for XDELTA and YDELTA, which are the number of pixels of movement of X and Y, respectively, in each "main move" of the ball. This is done to make the ball movement less predictable -- how much fun would a game be if the ball always bounced in the same way, at the same speed? Values of XDELTA and YDELTA can be between 1 and 3, the way I have it set up. Here is a good part of the program for you to play around with. In lines



1090-1200, I get a little tricky. First I get the "random" number and save it by pushing it on the stack. Then I AND the number with 3, which will limit XDELTA values to the range 0-3. Since I do not want a 0 value for the number of pixels locations moved in the X direction, I test for 0 in line 1120 and replace a 0 with 1. So far there is nothing tricky.

Here's the tricky part. In line 1100 we pushed AF to preserve the original value we got from the refresh register. In line 1150 the value is retrieved from the stack and compared with 3FH. Since the number in the R register will vary between 0 and 7FH in the TRS-80 system, 3FH is the midway point; there is equal probability of the number being less than or greater than this value. So in effect this is a coin toss type of situation. From this information, I can end up with either a -1 or a +1 in the accumulator, as shown in lines 1160-1200. This value is stored in XDIRXN -- a +1 will cause movement from left to right, initially. A -1 will cause movement of the ball from right to left, initially.

We get another "random" number to determine YDELTA in the same way we did for XDELTA. YDIRXN is always +1 initially, since we are starting the ball out just under the lowest row of blocks and want it to come downward toward the paddle eagerly awaiting it.

We are now ready to show the initial position of the ball; we do this in line 1290 by a call to SETXY. Now we are down to the heart of the main routine. Lines 1300-1380 form a loop which is executed repetitively. As you can see, almost the whole loop is a series of CALLs to subroutines. The first one called is MUVBAL, which moves the ball, logically enough! Then we waste some time -- this is a major difference between BASIC and assembly language -- in BASIC the normal need is to speed things up; in assembly language you often must slow things down so that the "slow" human can see and react to the action!

We then update the score, if necessary, by a call to TVSCOR in line 1320. Lastly, we check to see if a key is pressed, and if so is it a space character? Note the use of the KEYCHK routine in ROM. It performs like the INKEY\$ function in BASIC, in that it does not stop the action. If no key is pressed, the routine returns a zero, else the ASCII value of the particular key which was pressed. This last section, lines 1330-1380, was placed in the main routine to facilitate testing and debugging of the program. After bouncing the ball around for a while, I often wanted to get a fresh start so that I could see the effect of various XDELTAs and YDELTAs, etc. If the space key was the one pressed, the program would restart. If you plan to



make a competitive game out of BOUNCE, you should substitute other functions for this sequence of instructions.

For example, you could have a timing routine which limited your play to a certain number of seconds. You could decrement a counter each pass through this loop, and stop play when the counter timed out. The timer would have to have several bits of significance, probably at least 24 or 32. An 8-bit timer would time out before you got a chance to even ONCE hit the ball with the paddle!

#### MUVBAL Routine (1400)

The MUVBAL routine is certainly one of the most important of all. This routine handles all ball movement: it first calculates the new X & Y values and then checks to see if the new position will result in collision with any of the walls, blocks, or paddle.

Ball movement is done a minimum number of pixels at a time, so the ball will appear to move relatively smoothly. Let us take an example to help us. Assume that XDELTA is 2 and YDELTA is also 2. In this case we would want to move the ball 1 pixel in the X direction and 1 pixel in the Y direction. Then we would move the ball the other pixel in both X & Y directions. This completes the move, and a RET is made from MUVBAL.

What if XDELTA and YDELTA are not equal? In this case, we will move the ball like we did above, until either X or Y movement is exhausted, then complete the move changing only the appropriate count. If XDELTA is 1 and YDELTA is 3, the first part of the move is 1 pixel in X direction and 1 pixel in Y direction, as above. The X movement is now exhausted, so the next two moves will each be one pixel in the Y direction only. Details will be discussed in the appropriate subroutines below. After each movement of 1 pixel, checks are made concerning walls, blocks, and paddle. As you can see, the ball will zigzag any time the two are not equal. This is a consequence of low graphics resolution on the TRS-80, and there is nothing we can do about it.

#### LOITER Routine (1570)

This is a very simple routine, but most important. All the routine does is waste a few milliseconds of time, then calls CHKPDL to see if the left or right arrow keys are pressed. It executes this loop twenty times before returning. The important concept here is that, although we must waste time so that the human can track the path of the ball, we can do something worthwhile by checking to see if paddle movement is called for. If so, we do so in CHKPDL.

So, ball movement is not slowed down by paddle movement! This is something you must accomplish in every similar game you program; no one wants to see the ball almost stop just because the paddle is moving! The number of times the loop is executed (20 in this case) should be varied to allow rapid paddle movement relative to the ball, without moving the paddle so fast that the novice bangs it against one wall and then the other with no fine control. The choice is yours.

#### VLINE Routine (1670)

There is nothing special about the VLINE routine. It calculates an address by adding 64 (40H), which is the length of a screen line, to the contents of HL and placing the contents of the accumulator at this address. This is done repetitively until the count in B is exhausted. Thus a vertical line is drawn.

#### SETXY and RSOLXY Routines (1740,1810)

Within the BOUNCE program there are assembly language versions of the SET, RESET, and POINT functions you are probably familiar with from your BASIC programming. Although detailed discussion of these routines will be deferred until we reach them in this listing, let me say now that communication with the routines is done by loading XTEMP with the desired X value and YTEMP with the corresponding Y value. In SETXY we pick up the current values in X and Y, depositing them in XTEMP and YTEMP, respectively. We then call the SET routine.

RSOLXY, beginning in line 1810, resets the old X and Y positions in the same manner.

#### DIVIDE Routine (1940)

I have previously mentioned that the shift and rotate instructions can be used for multiplication or integer division by a power of two. A left shift by one bit multiplies by two; a right shift by one bit results in integer division by two. For example, if 3 resides in the accumulator:

- \* Execution of an RLCA instruction would result in a value of 6 in the accumulator.
- \* Execution of an RRCA instruction would result in a value of 1 in the accumulator.

What if we want neither to multiply by a power of two nor divide by a power of two? We must use something other than simply a series of shifts or rotates!



If the multiplier or divisor is a small number, one commonly uses multiple additions or multiple subtractions. DIVIDE illustrates this technique for division. Upon entry to DIVIDE, the accumulator must contain the dividend, B must contain a zero, and C must contain the divisor. First, the value in register C is subtracted from the value in the accumulator. Then a test is made to see if the resulting number (now in the accumulator) is a negative one. If not, we increment register B and subtract once more. This keeps up until a negative number is obtained, which means we have oversubtracted. We correct this in line 1980 by adding the contents of register C to that in the accumulator.

Upon exit from DIVIDE we have the integer portion of the quotient in register B and the remainder in the accumulator. I'm sure you see a distinct advantage of this routine over the simple rotate described a couple of paragraphs ago -- when we divide 3 by 2 using the DIVIDE routine, we get 1 in register B and 1 in the accumulator. With a rotate or shift we lose the remainder. We will make good use of this remainder, as you will see later.

#### NEWXY Routine (2030)

This routine calculates the next X and Y positions. This is done starting in line 2030 by picking up the current value of X and storing it away in XOLD. It next checks to see whether further movement in the X direction is warranted. (XCOUNT is decremented each time. A zero value means that the move has been accomplished.) If movement is called for, XCOUNT is decremented and stored away. Then, in lines 2110-2150, a new value for X is calculated by adding the value for XDIRXN to the current value of X.

Let me digress here for a moment to say a little bit about control of ball movement. As you will see later, both XDIRXN and YDIRXN can have values of only +1 or -1. These are the directions the ball can travel. If XDIRXN is +1, the ball is moving to the right; if -1, movement is to the left. If YDIRXN is +1, movement of the ball is from top to bottom of the screen; if -1, from bottom to top.

Perhaps when you first look at the BOUNCE program in operation you will think that there must be a rather complex calculation involved to get the new direction resulting from colliding with a wall, a block, or the paddle. Not so!! All that is required is to find out in which axis the collision occurred (X or Y), and change that direction by reversing the sign of XDIRXN or YDIRXN as appropriate. Try it -- you'll like it! You will see implementation of this below.



Now back to the discussion of NEWXY. You can see that, if XDIRXN is +1, the new X position will be one greater than the old X, XOLD. Conversely, if XDIRXN is -1, the new value will be one less than the old. The same sort of operation is performed for Y and the routine has done its job. All that is left is to POP BC in line 2280 and return.

#### GTROCL Routine (2330)

Although it is by no means apparent by the mnemonic GTROCL (I only have 6 characters to work with!! What do you expect?), this routine calculates the screen row and column parameters from X and Y values supplied to it by the calling program through XTEMP and YTEMP. In lines 2340-2360 we divide the X value by 2 to get the column. We then store the remainder from the division in MODCOL, to be used later. The integer portion of the quotient is stored in COLUMN. In lines 2400-2450 the same operations are performed to obtain the ROW and MODROW information from Y data.

#### HTWALL Routine (2540)

After we calculate the new X and Y routines using the NEWXY routine, we want to know if this new position will result in a collision of any sort. The HTWALL routine does this checking as far as the three walls are concerned. If a wall was hit, the direction of movement in the pertinent axis is changed. Collision with any wall will abort the move, since any further movement in the same direction would penetrate the wall, which is a NO-NO! Let us see the details.

First, in lines 2540-2580, we check to see if we are at the left wall. If so we jump to XREV to change XDIRXN. Lines 2590-2650 do the same thing for the right wall. Note that the XREV routine starting in line 2620 using that neat instruction "NEG" to effect the change of sign. Observe that we do not need to know the sign of the number to begin with -- a NEG of any 8-bit value is just like the BASIC statement "A1 = -A1". If the original number was positive, it will now be the same value, but negative, etc.

In lines 2670-2740 we check the top wall in like manner. If any one of the walls was hit, the ZEROCT routine starting in line 2750 zeroes XCOUNT and YCOUNT, so the move will be aborted.

## CHKHIT Routine (2860)

The CHKHIT routine starting in line 2860 does the same sort of thing for collisions with a block or the paddle. If a collision occurred, the direction of Y travel is changed. Why just the Y travel? Both the rows of blocks and the paddle lie within the left and right walls, so any collision with them must result in a change only in the Y direction of travel. The direction of X travel can be changed only by collision with either the left or right walls. If the collision was with one of the blocks, we must check to see which row and add to the score accordingly.

In lines 2870-2980, checks are made for possible collision with the paddle. The first check is to see if the current Y value coincides with the Y value for the paddle; if not, there can be no collision with the paddle! If the Y values do agree, then we have one of two possibilities -- we either hit or missed the ball with the paddle. To find out which of these has occurred, we must check to see if the X location of the ball is in the paddle area. We do that by comparing the ball X value to the left-most paddle position first. That is PADLX. If the ball X value is less than PADLX, we missed. If the ball X position is not less than PADLX, we must then use the paddle width, PDLWID, to see whether we hit or missed. The sequence of code in lines 2900-2980 do this checking. If we hit the paddle, line 2980 directs us to YDIRNU.

If we are in the same graphics row as the paddle and we did not hit the ball with the paddle, you guessed it! We missed it!! We must "erase" the ball from its old position, ask for a keypress, wait for that keypress, and restart with a new ball. Line 2990 takes care of the erasure; lines 3000-3020 display the "new ball" message, and line 3030 watches for a keypress, not returning until it gets one. This is preferable to automatically restarting with a new ball, since the harried gameplayer may need to collect wits before continuing! Note that we do nothing with the value of the key pressed, which is returned in the accumulator, so any ordinary key will do. When we get our signal from the keyboard we then wipe out the message and, in line 3070, jump to NUBALL at line 970. NUBALL is in the main routine, and we are in a subroutine, so a jump instruction will leave garbage on the stack. What now, chief? Now you see the wisdom of the first instruction of NUBALL, which restores the original value to the stack pointer. Instant clean!!

Line 3080 labelled YDIRNU begins code which reverses the direction of Y movement. The only thing I need to point out about this is that, in line 3100, we are jumping to YREV, which is a portion of another subroutine (HTWALL). Any time we do that (which may be quite often, to preserve precious memory) we must take care to keep the stack balanced. In this specific case, we have PUSHed BC in line 2860, so we must POP BC in line 3090 before going to YREV. This type of operation is very error-prone, but I still recommend it after you gain some experience, because of significant memory saving. Just be careful.

Earlier in the CHKHIT routine we checked to see if there was a possible collision of the ball with the paddle; if not, we were vectored to line 3110 to check a possible collision with one of the blocks. Lines 3110-3380 check for this and, if so, increment the score.

Concerning the check for possible collision between ball and block, there are two obvious routes to go:

1. Check just those graphics rows known to contain blocks initially.
2. Check all graphics rows to detect collision with anything anywhere on the screen.

We used an approach similar to option 1 for the paddle. I chose to implement option 2 to check for collision between ball and block by checking each and every new X and Y location to see if the pixel is lighted. This will utilize the POINT function. While this will certainly not operate as fast as checking only those Y locations known to contain blocks when the game began, it is much more versatile and more easily applied to different games which may have "random" placement of objects.

Lines 3110-3160 check whether the pixel at the new X and Y positions is lighted. If the pixel is set, the POINT routine will return with the zero flag set; the zero flag will be reset if the pixel is not lighted or set.

Beginning in line 3170 we update the score, since we know a block was struck by the ball (otherwise line 3160 would have vectored us out of the routine). We check to see which row the block was in and increment the score accordingly. In lines 3330-3360 we balance the stack and jump to NUYDIR at line 2720 to reverse the Y direction and reset the pixel so that the block disappears.



## GETADR Routine (3430)

This routine, in lines 3430-3580, takes the row and column data calculated by GTROCL and converts these to the corresponding byte address in screen memory. There is nothing new here which needs comment.

## NEWPOS and GTPOSN Routines (3620,3660)

The NEWPOS routine in lines 3620-3640 moves the ball on the screen. The GTPOSN routine in lines 3660-3690 takes X and Y data, calculates successively the row and column, the byte address in the screen memory, and the actual graphics character to be stored at that address. Since both routines are nothing more than calls to other routines, there is no need for comment here.

## SET Routine (3740)

Discussion of this routine is almost anticlimactic, since we have already discussed most of the routines which actually do the work! GTPOSN returns with the HL register pair containing the address of the specific byte of screen memory and the accumulator containing the value of the graphics character which will set the appropriate pixel on the screen. All that SET has to do is to OR the value in the accumulator with the character already present at the screen memory location. Remember that each byte of screen memory is comprised of 6 pixels; the OR will set the particular pixel of interest without changing any of the others. We must then store the updated byte of data back to the same screen address as shown in line 3760.

Let us run through an example to see how this works. Here are the assumptions:

A contains value of 81H.

HL contains 3C00H.

The byte at 3C00H contains 82H.

so:	1 0 0 0 0 0 1	in A
	1 0 0 0 0 0 1 0	in (HL)

Result after OR: 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 1

Let's summarize: The upper left corner of the screen (3C00H) showed a graphics character of 130 (82H, which is just the upper right pixel lighted) before the OR instruction. After the OR, it has a graphics character of 131 (83H), which is where both the top pixels are lighted. You may want to refer back to the table of graphics characters on page 5-7 of this booklet for further study.

## RESET Routine (3820)

The RESET routine is in lines 3820-3870 and is similar to the SET routine, but with important differences. A call is made to GTPOSN as in the previous routine. Then we get the inverse of the graphics character which we AND with the contents of the byte of screen memory. Next we OR the new byte with 80H to restore the graphics bias, place the new byte back in the screen address and return.

Let's look at an example of how this works. Here are the assumptions:

A contains 81H.  
HL contains 3C00H.  
The byte at 3C00H is 83H.

so:                   1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1           in A

we first complement it to get the following byte:

0 1 1 1 1 1 1 0           in A  
1 0 0 0 0 0 1 1           in (HL)

Result after AND       0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0           in A

Now OR with 80H       1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

Result after OR       1 0 0 0 0 0 1 0           in A

Refer again to the table on page 5-7. We start out with both top pixels (83H) of the memory byte set. We wish to reset the upper left pixel (81H). After the above sequence of operations, we end up with 82H, which will display on the TV as just the upper right pixel of the upper left corner of the screen set. How about that?! -- everything works!!

## POINT Routine (3930)

By this time I bet that you are one step ahead of me. But just in case, let us look at the POINT routine in lines 3930-3990. Once again we call the GTPOSN routine. This time, we need to save the accumulator in register B temporarily, so we PUSH BC and LD B,A. Next we AND with the present contents of the screen memory address. Finally we compare the value we have after the AND with the original value, now in B. Only if they are identical will the zero flag be set. Just for the fun of it, let us look at one more example.



Take the same assumptions we made in the RESET example. In this case we want to see if the upper left pixel of 3C00H is set.

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                1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1      in A
                1 0 0 0 0 0 1 1      in (HL)
AND             1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1

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We compare this with the original value, which was 81H; we see that the two values are equal and therefore the zero flag will be set after the AND instruction in line 3960. So everything makes sense at last.

#### GRAFVL Routine (4030)

We have called this routine several times previously, so you know it is one of the most important ones. Beginning in line 4030, this routine takes the remainder values MODROW and MODCOL we saved way back when and calculates the value of the graphics character. Upon entry to this routine, the HL register pair contains the address of the byte of screen memory, so all we have to do now is find out which one of the 6 pixels is involved. It may help for you to refresh your memory by looking back at page 5-7 one more time at the relationships between the location of a given pixel and its value.

We fetch the value of MODROW into the accumulator. The MODROW value can range from 0-2, since it is the remainder after division by 3. So all we need to do is find out what the value of MODROW is and convert that to a value which will put the pixel into the correct row. If MODROW is 0, the desired pixel is the top one; if 1, the desired pixel is the middle one; if 2, the bottom one. We want to end up with a 1, a 4, or a 10H in the accumulator. We are just considering on which row the pixel of interest is located.

In line 4060 we compare value to 1. If it is equal to 1, we want to load 4 into the accumulator; we are vectored from line 4070, since the Z flag is set, and a 4 is loaded into A in line 4110. If the value in A is not 1, we need to know whether it is greater than or less than 1. The only possible values are 0, 1, and 2, so only one test is necessary; that is in line 4080. If the accumulator is less than 1, the carry flag will be set; the test will fail and fall through to line 4090, where the value (which has to be a 0) is incremented, resulting in 1. If the value is greater than 1, it must be 2 and we are vectored from line 4080 to line 4130 where 10H is loaded into the accumulator.

So we have determined which row the pixel is in -- now starting in line 4140 we determine which column the pixel



is in. There are two columns per byte, as we have previously discussed, and therefore there are only two possible values of MODCOL, 0 and 1. Observation of the aforementioned table on 5-7 will show that we can adjust the value for the right-most column by multiplying the row data by 2.

How do we know that the pixel should be in the right-most column? If the value of MODCOL is 0, it is the left column; if 1, the right column. So all we have to do is find out the value of bit 0 of MODCOL and go accordingly. Line 4140 tests bit 0 of MODCOL -- if it is reset (that is, 0), no adjustment of the calculated row data is necessary. Line 4150 vectors us to line 4170 where the graphics bias is added, and we are finished.

If bit 0 of MODCOL is set (that is, a value of 1), the shift instruction in line 4160 will multiply the row data by 2. The graphics bias is added as above, and that's it.

Why did I use "SLA A" which is a two-byte instruction rather than RLCA which is a one-byte instruction? Refer to page B-8 in Appendix B to see what happens when the various shifts are rotated are executed. As I said many times in the audio lectures, we cannot program successfully in assembly language without paying close attention to the flags. How does that apply here? Note that, depending upon whether the value of MODROW was 0 or not, the carry flag will be set or reset. All of the load instructions and the BIT instruction do not affect the carry flag, so we cannot be sure that the carry flag is reset. If we used the RLCA instruction, whatever was in the C flag would be rotated into bit 0. Thus, if the carry flag was set (which it would be if the value of MODROW had been 0) we would have a 1 in the accumulator. Upon execution of the RLCA instruction the accumulator would have a value of 3, rather than the desired value of 2! So we must spend the extra byte of memory and extra 4 clock cycles. Note that the SLA instruction shifts a 0 into bit 0 regardless of the state of the carry flag. As you can see, I'm sure, careful study of Appendix B will be necessary to choose the optimum instructions for the particular situation -- sorry about that!

#### MAKEUP and WASTE Routines (4210,4240)

Both of these routines are a waste of time! Perhaps I should say that both of the routines are designed to spend a certain amount of time. They are useful, after all! MAKEUP starts in line 4210 and does nothing more than preserve BC, load BC with 60H, and invoke the ROM time delay routine located at 60H. More will be said about the MAKEUP routine and the significance of the 60H in the discussion of the CHKPDL routine below.



The WASTE routine also preserves BC, but rather than loading BC with a constant value set up at assembly time, it picks up the SPEED value we previously calculated. So the amount of time spent by the ROM routine will depend on how the player answered the "skill message" in the main routine. WASTE's mission in life is only to slow down the action to allow the human to react to that action. If faster action is desired, devise a calculation of SPEED which will result in lower values of SPEED -- this will cause the amount of time spent in the ROM routine to be less. Conversely, larger values of SPEED will slow down the action.

#### CLS Routine (4300)

This routine in lines 4300-4390 clears the screen, but it places "graphics spaces" rather than ordinary spaces in the screen memory like the ROM CLS routine at 1C9H does. What I call a "graphics space" is an 80H, whereas an ordinary space is 20H. They both will show up as a blank on the screen, but the graphics space has bit 7 set, so it already has the graphics bias I have mentioned several times. This is needed in the SET, RESET, and POINT routines.

#### CHKPDL Routine (4410)

This routine, in lines 4410-4690, checks for the depression of the left and right arrow keys. If either are pressed, it moves the paddle accordingly. Before we discuss how the routine accomplishes this, consider what happens if neither key is pressed. Line 4410 fetches the value from the keyboard as discussed in the section on the keyboard beginning on page 5-5 of this booklet. Line 4420 compares the value obtained with that for the left arrow. If it does not check, line 4430 vectors us to line 4540, where a comparison with the value for the right arrow key is made. If that also does not check, we are vectored to the MAKEUP routine. You will remember the MAKEUP routine as a time waster.

Why do we need a time waster here? Let me digress once again for a short while to discuss this.

Although it is absurdly apparent, I simply must state that "all routines take time"! In this case, time will be taken by the CHKPDL routine if either the left or right arrow key is pressed. Since we want the ball to move the same speed whether or not the paddle is being moved, we must make up for the time which would be spent moving the paddle, by using MAKEUP. The value of 60H as a time delay parameter in the MAKEUP routine (line 4220) was empirically determined, but if you are a purist you can calculate



exactly what the value should be by adding up the clock cycles for all of the pertinent instructions.

The significant point here is that the time should be balanced, so that it does not matter what branching the program does. Earlier I said that, to speed up the action, you should experiment with the SPEED calculations to get smaller or larger values as desired. THAT IS NOT TRUE HERE -- this is simply to make up for the time that the routine would take if one of the arrow keys was pressed. You would not change the amount of time for the MAKEUP routine spends unless you changed the length of time the other branch of the program takes. I hope I have explained this satisfactorily, since it is a very important concept which you must implement for most, if not all, user-interactive programs.

Now let us consider what happens if the left arrow key is pressed. In line 4440 we want to see if the paddle is at the left wall already. If so, we should not take any action except for the MAKEUP routine. If the paddle is not at the left wall, we must move it toward the left. Lines 4470-4500 take care of this; lines 4510-4530 erase the old paddle position.

What about if the right arrow key was pressed? Lines 4560-4640 perform the same sort of operations that we did for moving the paddle to the left. Lines 4650-4690 reset the old paddle position. Actually, the PDLRST segment only resets the one pixel which is no longer needed -- there is no need to completely erase the paddle and then redraw it one pixel over on the screen. It is sufficient just to reset the pixel on the opposite end from the direction of travel and then set one more pixel on the other end!

#### PDLSET Routine (4710)

Little more has to be said about this routine. It merely sets the pixel at the edge of the existing paddle which causes the appearance of movement in the desired direction.

#### DRBLOK and HLINE Routines (4790,4890)

The DRBLOK routine in lines 4790-4870 draws three rows of blocks on the screen. For each row of blocks the accumulator is loaded with the Y position for the row. The HLINE routine in lines 4890-5000 then draws the row. Both routines should be easy for you to understand at this point in your education.



One comment about technique -- look at lines 4960-4980. What I am doing there is incrementing the XTEMP value (HL is pointed to XTEMP in line 4910) and then comparing it to XHIGH+1. By incrementing the XTEMP value in this manner rather than bringing it into A, incrementing it, and storing it back in XTEMP, we save one byte. Not much, but keep such things in mind because sometimes they will be sorely needed. Assembly language programmers should be continually aware of the expense of instructions both as to their time requirements and memory requirements.

#### TVMSG Routine (5050)

The TVMSG routine in lines 5050-5160 displays a message whose first character is pointed to by the HL register pair, starting at the screen location pointed to by the DE register pair. For this routine, the message must be followed by a zero byte to allow graceful termination. Otherwise the TVMSG routine just keeps going until it encounters a zero or you press the reset key! The routine is representative of the kind of garden variety code that is not spectacular but is needed in almost every programming task you undertake.

#### TVSCOR and TVBYTE Routines (5210,5330)

As I infer in lines 5180-5190, you will not find many games with a hexadecimal scorekeeper! Surely any commercial program would display the score in good old decimal! I agree, but I did not want the tutorial attributes of the BOUNCE program to be complicated unnecessarily by a binary-to-ASCII-decimal routine. One of the expressions commonly used by my university professors was "This is left as an exercise for the student". I did not like it then, and I feel you are not likely to favor it now, but in this case it is justified!

You are likely to need a binary-to-ASCII-hexadecimal routine like that imbedded in TVSCOR and TVBYTE fairly often as well, so it deserves some study on your part. There is nothing difficult or tricky about the code.

#### Messages and Variable Storage Area (5510,5620)

I habitually place all messages and storage areas for variables at the end of all of the routines. No particular reason except that they are less likely to interfere with the code if they are back there. If you imbed them in the code you must take pains to jump over them, etc. Of course, if you place them between subroutines there will be no problem. It's totally up to you -- after all, you are a bona fide assembly language programmer by now!

SUGGESTIONS FOR ENHANCEMENT OF BOUNCE

There are several areas where BOUNCE could stand considerable improvement. One obvious one is that you should install a score display routine which shows the score as a decimal number, as discussed above.

You may also want to show the previous high score, to raise the air of competition. How about automatically changing the skill level based on the performance of the player? This could be done by incrementing or decrementing the SPEED variable as indicated after a certain number of hits (or misses, as in my case).

Perhaps the scoring should reflect the skill level; one possibility is to take the appropriate score value and add some arbitrary value to it for each skill level. An easy way would be to subtract the original skill level from 10, place that amount in register B, and add the arbitrary value to the score value for the particular hit repetitively till register B is decremented to zero. Thus lower numerical skill values (representing higher degrees of skill) would result in higher scoring for a given number of hits.

One enhancement which I think is really needed is to provide some means of changing the direction of ball movement, i. e., putting "spin" on the ball. Perhaps one should change either the XDELTA or YDELTA variable (or even both of them) if the ball strikes one of the edges of the paddle; no change should result if the ball hits the middle of the paddle. This would add another element of skill to the game. Experimentation will be necessary to see how much and in what direction the change should be.

Let me hear what you come up with in the way of enhancements! That is the kind of thing you must do to become adept at assembly language. As I said at the start, you must practice, practice, practice. Here's wishing you lots of fun!!

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00010 ; 'BOUNCE/SRC' ROUTINE, 11/29/81
00020 ;
00030 ; THIS PROGRAM IS COPYRIGHTED 1982
00040 ; BY JOSEPH E. WILLIS
00050 ; REMSOFT, INC.
00060 ; 571 EAST 185
00070 ; EUCLID, OHIO 44119
00080 ;
5200 00090 ORG 5200H ;5600H for Mod 3
00100 ;
002B 00110 KEYCHK EQU 2BH
0049 00120 KEYIN EQU 49H
0060 00130 DELAY EQU 60H
3C00 00140 SCREEN EQU 3C00H
3840 00150 LRKEYS EQU 3840H
0020 00160 SPACE EQU 20H
0020 00170 LEFARO EQU 32
0040 00180 RITARO EQU 64
0001 00190 ROWMIN EQU 1
000D 00200 ROWMAX EQU 13
0000 00210 COLMIN EQU 0
003F 00220 COLMAX EQU 63
0004 00230 YLOW EQU ROWMIN<1+ROWMIN+1
0028 00240 YHIGH EQU ROWMAX<1+ROWMAX+1
0001 00250 XLOW EQU COLMIN<1+1
007E 00260 XHIGH EQU COLMAX<1
000A 00270 SCORE0 EQU 10
0014 00280 SCORE1 EQU SCORE0<1
0028 00290 SCORE2 EQU SCORE0<2
0008 00300 YBLOK2 EQU YLOW+4
000C 00310 YBLOK1 EQU YBLOK2+4
0010 00320 YBLOK0 EQU YBLOK1+4
0010 00330 PDLWID EQU 16
0029 00340 PADLY EQU YHIGH+1
0008 00350 PDLHLF EQU PDLWID<-1
3C18 00360 SMPOSN EQU SCREEN+18H
3C20 00370 SCPOSN EQU SMPOSN+8
3FC0 00380 NBPOSN EQU SCREEN+3C0H
00390 ;
5200 310D59 00400 BOUNCE LD SP,SPEED+300H ;GIVE PLENTY FOR STAK
5203 CDC854 00410 CALL CLS ;CLEAR SCREEN
5206 210000 00420 LD HL,0 ;CLEAR SCORE
5209 220B56 00430 LD (SCORE),HL
520C 11183C 00440 LD DE,SMPOSN ;SCORE POSN
520F 217E55 00450 LD HL,SCRMSG ;SCORE MSG
5212 CD4755 00460 CALL TVMSG ;SEND MSG TO TV
5215 3E01 00470 LD A,ROWMIN ;DRAW TOP LINE
5217 320356 00480 LD (ROW),A
521A 3E00 00490 LD A,COLMIN
521C 320556 00500 LD (COLUMN),A
521F CD5054 00510 CALL GETADR

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5222	3E97	00520	LD	A,97H	
5224	77	00530	LD	(HL),A	
5225	23	00540	INC	HL	
5226	3E83	00550	LD	A,83H	
5228	063E	00560	LD	B,COLMAX-COLMIN-1	
522A	77	00570	B1 LD	(HL),A	
522B	23	00580	INC	HL	
522C	10FC	00590	DJNZ	B1	
522E	3EAB	00600	LD	A,0ABH	
5230	77	00610	LD	(HL),A	
5231	3E02	00620	LD	A,ROWMIN+1	;DRAW LEFT VERT LINE
5233	320356	00630	LD	(ROW),A	
5236	CD5054	00640	CALL	GETADR	
5239	3E95	00650	LD	A,95H	
523B	CD1153	00660	CALL	VLINE	
523E	3E3F	00670	LD	A,COLMAX	;DRAW RIGHT VERT LINE
5240	320556	00680	LD	(COLUMN),A	
5243	CD5054	00690	CALL	GETADR	
5246	3EAA	00700	LD	A,0AAH	
5248	CD1153	00710	CALL	VLINE	
524B	3A0756	00720	LD	A,(PADLX)	;DRAW PADDLE
524E	0610	00730	LD	B,PDLWID	
5250	F5	00740	PDLLUP PUSH	AF	
5251	CD1455	00750	CALL	PDLSET	
5254	F1	00760	POP	AF	
5255	3C	00770	INC	A	
5256	10F8	00780	DJNZ	PDLLUP	
5258	CD2055	00790	CALL	DRBLOK	;DRAW BLOCKS
525B	21CE55	00800	SKILL LD	HL,LVLMSG	;GET DESIRED
525E	11C03F	00810	LD	DE,NBPOSN	;SKILL LEVEL
5261	CD4755	00820	CALL	TVMSG	
5264	CD4900	00830	CALL	KEYIN	
5267	FE31	00840	CP	'1'	;REJECT ANYTHING
5269	38F0	00850	JR	C,SKILL	;NOT BETWEEN
526B	FE3A	00860	CP	'9'+1	;1 AND 9
526D	30EC	00870	JR	NC,SKILL	
526F	E60F	00880	AND	0FH	
5271	07	00890	RLCA		;MULTIPLY BY 16
5272	07	00900	RLCA		
5273	07	00910	RLCA		
5274	07	00920	RLCA		
5275	320D56	00930	LD	(SPEED),A	
5278	11C03F	00940	LD	DE,NBPOSN	;ERASE PREV MSG
527B	21A455	00950	LD	HL,BLNKS	
527E	CD4755	00960	CALL	TVMSG	
5281	310D59	00970	NUBALL LD	SP,SPEED+300H	;RESET STACK POINTER
5284	ED5F	00980	LD	A,R	;RANDOM NUM FOR BALL
5286	E67F	00990	AND	7FH	;POSN BETWEEN 0-127
5288	FE01	01000	CP	XLOW	
528A	3002	01010	JR	NC,B2	
528C	3E01	01020	LD	A,XLOW	
528E	FE7E	01030	B2 CP	XHIGH	

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5290 3802      01040      JR      C,B3
5292 3E7E      01050      LD      A,XHIGH      ;IF >=XHIGH, MAKE
XHIGH
5294 32F755    01060 B3    LD      (X),A
5297 3E11      01070      LD      A,YBLOK0+1      ;ROW JUST UNDER
BLOCKS
5299 32F855    01080      LD      (Y),A
529C ED5F      01090      LD      A,R      ;RAND NUM FOR XDELTA
529E F5        01100      PUSH    AF      ;& XDIRXN -- SAVE
529F E603      01110      AND     3
52A1 2002      01120      JR      NZ,B4
52A3 3E01      01130      LD      A,1
52A5 32FE55    01140 B4    LD      (XDELTA),A
52A8 F1        01150      POP     AF
52A9 FE3F      01160      CP     3FH
52AB 3EFF      01170      LD      A,0FFH      ; -1
52AD 3002      01180      JR      NC,B4A
52AF 3C        01190      INC     A
52B0 3C        01200      INC     A      ; +1
52B1 32FD55    01210 B4A    LD      (XDIRXN),A
52B4 ED5F      01220      LD      A,R      ;RAND NUM FOR YDELTA
52B6 E603      01230      AND     3
52B8 2002      01240      JR      NZ,B5
52BA 3E01      01250      LD      A,1
52BC 320156    01260 B5    LD      (YDELTA),A
52BF 3E01      01270      LD      A,1      ; +1
52C1 320056    01280 B5A    LD      (YDIRXN),A
52C4 CD1B53    01290      CALL   SETXY      ;SHOW BALL
52C7 CDDD52    01300 PONGLP CALL   MUVBAL      ;MOVE BALL
52CA CD0253    01310      CALL   LOITER     ;WASTE TIME
52CD CD5555    01320      CALL   TVSCOR     ;UPDATE SCORE
52D0 CD2B00    01330      CALL   KEYCHK     ;KEY PRESSED?
52D3 B7        01340      OR     A
52D4 28F1      01350      JR      Z,PONGLP   ;NO, KEEP GOING
52D6 FE20      01360      CP     SPACE      ;YES, SPACE KEY?
52D8 20ED      01370      JR      NZ,PONGLP   ;NO
52DA C30052    01380      JP     BOUNCE     ;YES, START OVER
01390 ;
52DD C5        01400 MUVBAL PUSH    BC
52DE 3AFE55    01410      LD      A,(XDELTA)
52E1 32FF55    01420      LD      (XCOUNT),A
52E4 3A0156    01430      LD      A,(YDELTA)
52E7 320256    01440      LD      (YCOUNT),A
52EA CD4453    01450 MUVLUP CALL   NEWXY      ;CALC NEW X & Y
52ED CDA053    01460      CALL   HTWALL     ;HIT A WALL?
52F0 CDD853    01470      CALL   CHKHIT     ;HIT BLOCK OR PADDLE?
52F3 CD6A54    01480      CALL   NEWPOS     ;SHOW NEW POSITION
52F6 3AFF55    01490      LD      A,(XCOUNT) ;FINISHED WITH MOVE?
52F9 47        01500      LD      B,A
52FA 3A0256    01510      LD      A,(YCOUNT)
52FD B0        01520      OR     B
52FE 20EA      01530      JR      NZ,MUVLUP   ;NO

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5300 C1      01540      POP      BC      ;YES
5301 C9      01550      RET
              01560 ;
5302 C5      01570 LOITER  PUSH      BC
5303 0614    01580      LD        B,20
5305 C5      01590 LOITLP  PUSH      BC
5306 CDD754  01600      CALL     CHKPDL      ;NEED TO MOVE PADDLE?
5309 CDBE54  01610      CALL     WASTE      ;WASTE TIME
530C C1      01620      POP      BC
530D 10F6    01630      DJNZ     LOITLP
530F C1      01640      POP      BC
5310 C9      01650      RET
              01660 ;
5311 114000  01670 VLINE   LD        DE,40H
5314 060C    01680      LD        B,ROWMAX-ROWMIN
5316 77      01690 L1      LD        (HL),A
5317 19      01700      ADD      HL,DE
5318 10FC    01710      DJNZ     L1
531A C9      01720      RET
              01730 ;
531B 3AF755  01740 SETXY   LD        A,(X)
531E 32FB55  01750      LD        (XTEMP),A
5321 3AF855  01760      LD        A,(Y)
5324 32FC55  01770      LD        (YTEMP),A
5327 CD7B54  01780      CALL     SET
532A C9      01790      RET
              01800 ;
532B 3AF955  01810 RSOLXY  LD        A,(XOLD)
532E 32FB55  01820      LD        (XTEMP),A
5331 3AFA55  01830      LD        A,(YOLD)
5334 32FC55  01840      LD        (YTEMP),A
5337 CD8154  01850      CALL     RESET
533A C9      01860      RET
              01870 ;
              01880 ; 8-BIT DIVIDE ROUTINE
              01890 ; ENTRY: DIVIDEND IN A
              01900 ; DIVISOR IN BC
              01910 ; EXIT: INTEGER RESULT IN B
              01920 ; REMAINDER IN A
              01930 ;
533B 91      01940 DIVIDE  SUB      C
533C FA4253  01950      JP        M,DIVEND
533F 04      01960      INC      B
5340 18F9    01970      JR        DIVIDE
5342 81      01980 DIVEND  ADD      A,C
5343 C9      01990      RET
              02000 ;
              02010 ; CALCULATES NEW X & Y POSITIONS
              02020 ;
5344 C5      02030 NEWXY   PUSH     BC
5345 3AF755  02040      LD        A,(X)      ;FETCH X AND
5348 32F955  02050      LD        (XOLD),A      ;ASSIGN TO OLD X

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534B 3AFF55    02060      LD      A,(XCOUNT)      ;DONE WITH X MOVE?
534E B7        02070      OR       A
534F 280F      02080      JR       Z,NEWY          ;YES
5351 3D        02090      DEC      A              ;NO, UPDATE COUNT
5352 32FF55    02100      LD      (XCOUNT),A
5355 3AF755    02110      LD      A,(X)          ;UPDATE X POSN
5358 47        02120      LD      B,A
5359 3AFD55    02130      LD      A,(XDIRXN)
535C 80        02140      ADD     A,B
535D 32F755    02150      LD      (X),A
5360 3AF855    02160      LD      A,(Y)          ;FETCH Y AND ASSIGN
NEWY                                ;TO OLD Y
5363 32FA55    02170      LD      (YOLD),A
5366 3A0256    02180      LD      A,(YCOUNT)      ;DONE WITH Y MOVE?
5369 B7        02190      OR       A
536A 280F      02200      JR       Z,NUYOUT        ;YES, FINISHED
536C 3D        02210      DEC      A              ;NO, UPDATE COUNT
536D 320256    02220      LD      (YCOUNT),A
5370 3AF855    02230      LD      A,(Y)          ;UPDATE Y POSN
5373 47        02240      LD      B,A
5374 3A0056    02250      LD      A,(YDIRXN)
5377 80        02260      ADD     A,B
5378 32F855    02270      LD      (Y),A
537B C1        02280      NUYOUT POP      BC
537C C9        02290      RET
                                02300 ;
                                02310 ; GIVEN X & Y POSITIONS, CALCULATES ROW & COLUMN
                                02320 ;
537D C5        02330      GTROCL PUSH     BC
537E 3AFB55    02340      LD      A,(XTEMP)      ;GET COLUMN
5381 010200    02350      LD      BC,2
5384 CD3B53    02360      CALL    DIVIDE
5387 320656    02370      LD      (MODCOL),A
538A 78        02380      LD      A,B
538B 320556    02390      LD      (COLUMN),A
538E 3AFC55    02400      LD      A,(YTEMP)      ;GET ROW
5391 010300    02410      LD      BC,3
5394 CD3B53    02420      CALL    DIVIDE
5397 320456    02430      LD      (MODROW),A
539A 78        02440      LD      A,B
539B 320356    02450      LD      (ROW),A
539E C1        02460      POP      BC
539F C9        02470      RET
                                02480 ;
                                02490 ; CHECKS WHETHER NEW X & Y POSITIONS WILL CAUSE
                                02500 ; A HIT ON TOP, LEFT, OR RIGHT WALLS.
                                02510 ;
                                02520 ; IF SO, CHANGE DIRECTION OF MOVEMENT
                                02530 ;
53A0 3AF755    02540      HTWALL LD      A,(X)
53A3 FE02      02550      CP       XLOW+1      ;AT LEFT WALL?
53A5 3004      02560      JR       NC,HTWL       ;NO
53A7 3E01      02570      LD      A,XLOW      ;YES, REV DIRXN

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53A9 1806      02580      JR      XREV
53AB FE7E      02590 HTW1    CP      XHIGH      ;AT RIGHT WALL?
53AD 3810      02600      JR      C,HTW2      ;NO
53AF 3E7E      02610      LD      A,XHIGH    ;YES
53B1 32F755    02620 XREV    LD      (X),A      ;SET X AND
53B4 3AFD55    02630      LD      A,(XDIRXN) ;CHANGE SIGN OF
53B7 ED44      02640      NEG                     ;X DIRECTION
53B9 32FD55    02650      LD      (XDIRXN),A
53BC CDD253    02660      CALL    ZEROCT
53BF 3AF855    02670 HTW2    LD      A,(Y)      ;PAST TOP WALL?
53C2 FE04      02680      CP      YLOW
53C4 D0        02690      RET      NC          ;NO
53C5 3E04      02700      LD      A,YLOW    ;YES, SET Y
53C7 32F855    02710 YREV    LD      (Y),A
53CA 3A0056    02720 NUYDIR  LD      A,(YDIRXN) ;AND CHANGE SIGN
53CD ED44      02730      NEG                     ;OF Y DIRECTION
53CF 320056    02740      LD      (YDIRXN),A
53D2 3E00      02750 ZEROCT LD      A,0      ;IF ANY WALL WAS HIT,
53D4 32FF55    02760      LD      (XCOUNT),A ;ABORT THE MOVE BY
53D7 320256    02770      LD      (YCOUNT),A ;ZEROING BOTH COUNTS
53DA C9        02780      RET
                02790 ;
                02800 ; CHECKS TO SEE IF NEW X & Y WILL CAUSE THE BALL
                02810 ; TO HIT THE PADDLE OR ANY BLOCK
                02820 ;
                02830 ; IF SO, CHANGE DIRECTION OF TRAVEL
                02840 ; IF BLOCK, ADD TO SCORE.
                02850 ;
53DB C5        02860 CHKHIT  PUSH    BC
53DC 3AF855    02870      LD      A,(Y)
53DF FE28      02880      CP      YHIGH      ;POSSIBLE HIT ON
PADDLE?
53E1 3830      02890      JR      C,HTBLOK    ;NO, CHK HIT ON BLOCK
53E3 3A0756    02900      LD      A,(PADLX)    ;GET X POSN OF PADDLE
53E6 47        02910      LD      B,A        ;STORE IN B
53E7 C610      02920      ADD     A,PDLWID    ;ADD WIDTH OF PADDLE
53E9 4F        02930      LD      C,A        ;SAVE IN C
53EA 3AF755    02940      LD      A,(X)      ;GET X POSN OF BALL
53ED B8        02950      CP      B          ;< LEFT SIDE OF
PADDLE?
53EE 3803      02960      JR      C,NOHIT    ;YES, NO HIT
53F0 B9        02970      CP      C          ;ON PADDLE?
53F1 381B      02980      JR      C,YDIRNU    ;YES
53F3 CD2B53    02990 NOHIT  CALL    RSOLXY    ;NO RESET OLD X & Y
53F6 11C03F    03000      LD      DE,NBPOSN ;DSPLY "NEW BALL" MSG
53F9 218555    03010      LD      HL,HITMSG
53FC CD4755    03020      CALL    TVMSG
53FF CD4900    03030      CALL    KEYIN    ;WAIT FOR KEY PRESS
5402 11C03F    03040      LD      DE,NBPOSN ;ERASE MESSAGE
5405 21A455    03050      LD      HL,BLNKS
5408 CD4755    03060      CALL    TVMSG
540B C38152    03070      JP      NUBALL    ;SERVE NEW BALL

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540E 3E28      03080 YDIRNU LD      A,YHIGH      ;REVERSE Y DIRECTION
5410 C1        03090      POP      BC            ;BALANCE STACK
5411 18B4      03100      JR       YREV
5413 3AF855    03110 HTBLOK LD      A,(Y)        ;WILL NEW X & Y
5416 32FC55    03120      LD      (YTEMP),A      ;VALUES HIT A BLOCK?
5419 3AF755    03130      LD      A,(X)
541C 32FB55    03140      LD      (XTEMP),A
541F CD8A54    03150      CALL     POINT
5422 202A      03160      JR       NZ,CHKOUT     ;NO HIT
5424 D5        03170      PUSH     DE
5425 E5        03180      PUSH     HL
5426 3AF855    03190      LD      A,(Y)        ;HIT, WHICH ROW?
5429 FE0C      03200      CP       YBLOK1
542B 2005      03210      JR       NZ,HTB1
542D 111400    03220      LD      DE,SCORE1
5430 180C      03230      JR       UPSCOR
5432 FE08      03240 HTB1  CP       YBLOK2
5434 2005      03250      JR       NZ,HTB2
5436 112800    03260      LD      DE,SCORE2
5439 1803      03270      JR       UPSCOR
543B 110A00    03280 HTB2  LD      DE,SCORE0
543E 2A0B56    03290 UPSCOR LD      HL,(SCORE)    ;UPDATE SCORE
5441 19        03300      ADD      HL,DE
5442 220B56    03310      LD      (SCORE),HL
5445 CD8154    03320      CALL     RESET          ;ERASE THE BLOCK
5448 E1        03330      POP      HL            ;BALANCE STACK
5449 D1        03340      POP      DE
544A C1        03350      POP      BC
544B C3CA53    03360      JP       NUYDIR        ;REVERSE Y DIRECTION
544E C1        03370 CHKOUT POP      BC
544F C9        03380      RET
                03390 ;
                03400 ; CONVERT ROW & COLUMN DATA TO THE CORRESPONDING
                03410 ; ACTUAL SCREEN MEMORY ADDRESS.
                03420 ;
5450 C5        03430 GETADR PUSH     BC
5451 D5        03440      PUSH     DE
5452 21003C    03450      LD      HL,SCREEN
5455 114000    03460      LD      DE,40H
5458 3A0356    03470      LD      A,(ROW)
545B A7        03480      AND      A            ;CHK FOR ZERO
545C 2804      03490      JR       Z,GTA2
545E 47        03500      LD      B,A
545F 19        03510 GTA1  ADD      HL,DE
5460 10FD      03520      DJNZ     GTA1
5462 3A0556    03530 GTA2  LD      A,(COLUMN)
5465 5F        03540      LD      E,A
5466 19        03550      ADD      HL,DE
5467 D1        03560      POP      DE
5468 C1        03570      POP      BC
5469 C9        03580      RET
                03590 ;

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03600 ; MOVES "BALL" ON SCREEN
03610 ;
546A CD2B53 03620 NEWPOS CALL RSOLXY
546D CD1B53 03630 CALL SETXY
5470 C9 03640 RET
03650 ;
5471 CD7D53 03660 GTPOSN CALL GTROCL ;CALC ROW & COLUMN
5474 CD5054 03670 CALL GETADR ;GET ADDRESS OF R&C
5477 CD9354 03680 CALL GRAFVL ;CALC GRAPHICS CHAR
547A C9 03690 RET
03700 ;
03710 ; ROUTINE TO SET ANY POINT ON SCREEN
03720 ; FUNCTIONALLY SAME AS "SET(X,Y)" IN BASIC
03730 ;
547B CD7154 03740 SET CALL GTPOSN
547E B6 03750 OR (HL)
547F 77 03760 LD (HL),A
5480 C9 03770 RET
03780 ;
03790 ; ROUTINE TO RESET ANY POINT ON SCREEN
03800 ; FUNCTIONALLY SAME AS "RESET(X,Y)" IN BASIC
03810 ;
5481 CD7154 03820 RESET CALL GTPOSN
5484 2F 03830 CPL ;GET INVERSE
5485 A6 03840 AND (HL)
5486 F680 03850 OR 80H
5488 77 03860 LD (HL),A
5489 C9 03870 RET
03880 ;
03890 ; POINT ROUTINE, FUNCTIONALLY SAME AS "POINT(X,Y)" IN
BASIC
03900 ; Z FLAG WILL BE: SET IF POINT IS LIGHTED
03910 ; RESET IF POINT IS NOT LIGHTED
03920 ;
548A CD7154 03930 POINT CALL GTPOSN
548D C5 03940 PUSH BC
548E 47 03950 LD B,A
548F A6 03960 AND (HL)
5490 B8 03970 CP B
5491 C1 03980 POP BC
5492 C9 03990 RET
04000 ;
04010 ; CALCULATES THE VALUE OF THE GRAPHICS CHARACTER
04020 ;
5493 3A0456 04030 GRAFVL LD A,(MODROW)
5496 DDE5 04040 PUSH IX
5498 DD210656 04050 LD IX,MODCOL
549C FE01 04060 CP 1
549E 2805 04070 JR Z,P1
54A0 3007 04080 JR NC,P2
54A2 3C 04090 INC A
54A3 1806 04100 JR ADJPOS

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54A5	3E04	04110	P1	LD	A,4	
54A7	1802	04120		JR	ADJPOS	
54A9	3E10	04130	P2	LD	A,10H	
54AB	DDCB0046	04140	ADJPOS	BIT	0,(IX+0)	;ADJUST FOR COLUMN
54AF	2802	04150		JR	Z,ADJVAL	;NO ADJ NEEDED IF
ZERO						
54B1	CB27	04160		SLA	A	;MULT BY 2
54B3	F680	04170	ADJVAL	OR	80H	
54B5	DDE1	04180		POP	IX	
54B7	C9	04190		RET		
		04200				
54B8	C5	04210	MAKEUP	PUSH	BC	
54B9	016000	04220		LD	BC,60H	
54BC	1805	04230		JR	W1	
54BE	C5	04240	WASTE	PUSH	BC	
54BF	ED4B0D56	04250		LD	BC,(SPEED)	
54C3	CD6000	04260	W1	CALL	DELAY	
54C6	C1	04270		POP	BC	
54C7	C9	04280		RET		
		04290				
54C8	E5	04300	CLS	PUSH	HL	
54C9	21003C	04310		LD	HL,SCREEN	
54CC	3E80	04320	CLSLUP	LD	A,80H	
54CE	77	04330		LD	(HL),A	
54CF	23	04340		INC	HL	
54D0	7C	04350		LD	A,H	
54D1	FE40	04360		CP	SCREEN+400H<-8	
54D3	20F7	04370		JR	NZ,CLSLUP	
54D5	E1	04380		POP	HL	
54D6	C9	04390		RET		
		04400				
54D7	3A4038	04410	CHKPDL	LD	A,(LRKEYS)	
54DA	FE20	04420		CP	LEFARO	;LEFT ARROW PRESSED?
54DC	2014	04430		JR	NZ,CHKRIT	;NO, CHK RIGHT ARROW
54DE	3A0756	04440		LD	A,(PADLX)	;YES, GET PADDLE POSN
54E1	FE01	04450		CP	XLOW	;AT LEFT WALL?
54E3	28D3	04460		JR	Z,MAKEUP	;YES, SPEND SOME TIME
54E5	3D	04470		DEC	A	;NO, MOVE LEFT
54E6	F5	04480	CL1	PUSH	AF	;SAVE FOR LATER USE
54E7	320756	04490		LD	(PADLX),A	;UPDATE PADDLE COLUMN
54EA	CD1455	04500		CALL	PDLSET	;SET NEW PIXEL
54ED	F1	04510		POP	AF	;RETRIEVE OLD PIXEL
LOCN						
54EE	C611	04520		ADD	A,PDLWID+1	;RESET OLD LOCN
54F0	1816	04530		JR	PDLRST	
54F2	FE40	04540	CHKRIT	CP	RITARO	;RIGHT ARROW PRESSED?
54F4	20C2	04550		JR	NZ,MAKEUP	;NO, IGNORE KEY
54F6	3A0756	04560		LD	A,(PADLX)	
54F9	FE6E	04570		CP	XHIGH-PDLWID	;AT RIGHT WALL?
54FB	28BB	04580		JR	Z,MAKEUP	;YES, MOVE NO FURTHER
54FD	F5	04590		PUSH	AF	;SAVE FOR LATER USE
54FE	3C	04600		INC	A	

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54FF 320756 04610 LD (PADLX),A ;UPDATE PADDLE COLUMN
5502 C610 04620 ADD A,PDLWID ;SET NEW PIXEL
5504 CD1455 04630 CALL PDLSET
5507 F1 04640 POP AF
5508 32FB55 04650 PDLRST LD (XTEMP),A ;RESET OLD PIXEL
550B 3E29 04660 LD A,PADLY
550D 32FC55 04670 LD (YTEMP),A
5510 CD8154 04680 CALL RESET
5513 C9 04690 RET
04700 ;
5514 32FB55 04710 PDLSET LD (XTEMP),A
5517 3E29 04720 LD A,PADLY
5519 32FC55 04730 LD (YTEMP),A
551C CD7B54 04740 CALL SET
551F C9 04750 RET
04760 ;
04770 ; DRAW THREE ROWS OF BLOCKS
04780 ;
5520 E5 04790 DRBLOK PUSH HL
5521 3E0C 04800 LD A,YBLOK1
5523 CD3255 04810 CALL HLINE
5526 3E08 04820 LD A,YBLOK2
5528 CD3255 04830 CALL HLINE
552B 3E10 04840 LD A,YBLOK0
552D CD3255 04850 CALL HLINE
5530 E1 04860 POP HL
5531 C9 04870 RET
04880 ;
5532 32FC55 04890 HLINE LD (YTEMP),A
5535 3E01 04900 LD A,XLOW
5537 21FB55 04910 LD HL,XTEMP
553A 77 04920 LD (HL),A
553B E5 04930 DRLUP PUSH HL
553C CD7B54 04940 CALL SET
553F E1 04950 POP HL
5540 34 04960 INC (HL)
5541 7E 04970 LD A,(HL)
5542 FE7F 04980 CP XHIGH+1
5544 38F5 04990 JR C,DRLUP
5546 C9 05000 RET
05010 ;
05020 ; DISPLAYS THE MESSAGE POINTED TO BY HL REGS
05030 ; AT THE SCREEN ADDRESS POINTED TO BY DE REGS.
05040 ;
5547 D5 05050 TVMSG PUSH DE
5548 E5 05060 PUSH HL
5549 7E 05070 TVMSG1 LD A,(HL)
554A B7 05080 OR A
554B 2805 05090 JR Z,TVMOUT
554D 12 05100 LD (DE),A
554E 13 05110 INC DE
554F 23 05120 INC HL

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5550 18F7      05130      JR      TVMSG1
5552 E1        05140 TVMOUT  POP      HL
5553 D1        05150      POP      DE
5554 C9        05160      RET
                05170 ;
                05180 ; THIS GAME HAS WHAT IS PROBABLY A UNIQUE FEATURE
                05190 ; ***** A HEXADECIMAL SCOREKEEPER!!! *****
                05200 ;
5555 D5        05210 TVSCOR  PUSH     DE
5556 E5        05220      PUSH     HL
5557 11203C    05230      LD      DE,SCPOSN
555A 2A0B56    05240      LD      HL,(SCORE)      ;FETCH SCORE
555D 7C        05250      LD      A,H              ;DISPLAY MOST SIG
BYTE
555E CD6855    05260      CALL    TVBYTE
5561 7D        05270      LD      A,L              ;DISPLAY LSB
5562 CD6855    05280      CALL    TVBYTE
5565 E1        05290      POP      HL
5566 D1        05300      POP      DE
5567 C9        05310      RET
                05320 ;
5568 F5        05330 TVBYTE  PUSH     AF
5569 0F        05340      RRCA              ;DIVIDE BY 16
556A 0F        05350      RRCA
556B 0F        05360      RRCA
556C 0F        05370      RRCA
556D CD7155    05380      CALL    TVNIBL      ;DISPLAY NIBBLE
5570 F1        05390      POP      AF
5571 E60F      05400 TVNIBL  AND      0FH
5573 F630      05410      OR      '0'          ;ADJUST FOR ASCII
BIAS
5575 FE3A      05420      CP      '9'+1      ;DIGIT?
5577 3802      05430      JR      C,TVOUT    ;YES
5579 C607      05440      ADD     A,7        ;NO, ADD ALPHA BIAS
557B 12        05450 TVOUT  LD      (DE),A
557C 13        05460      INC     DE
557D C9        05470      RET
                05480 ;
                05490 ; MESSAGE AREA
                05500 ;
557E 53        05510 SCRMSG  DEFM     'SCORE:'
557F 43
5580 4F
5581 52
5582 45
5583 3A
5584 00        05520      DEFB     0
5585 50        05530 HITMSG  DEFM     'PRESS ANY KEY FOR ANOTHER BALL'
5586 52
5587 45
5588 53
5589 53

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558A 20  
558B 41  
558C 4E  
558D 59  
558E 20  
558F 4B  
5590 45  
5591 59  
5592 20  
5593 46  
5594 4F  
5595 52  
5596 20  
5597 41  
5598 4E  
5599 4F  
559A 54  
559B 48  
559C 45  
559D 52  
559E 20  
559F 42  
55A0 41  
55A1 4C  
55A2 4C  
55A3 00  
55A4 20

05540            DEFB        0  
05550 BLNKS      DEFM        '

55A5 20  
55A6 20  
55A7 20  
55A8 20  
55A9 20  
55AA 20  
55AB 20  
55AC 20  
55AD 20  
55AE 20  
55AF 20  
55B0 20  
55B1 20  
55B2 20  
55B3 20  
55B4 20  
55B5 20  
55B6 20  
55B7 20  
55B8 20  
55B9 20  
55BA 20  
55BB 20  
55BC 20

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55BD 20  
55BE 20  
55BF 20  
55C0 20  
55C1 20  
55C2 20  
55C3 20  
55C4 20  
55C5 20  
55C6 20  
55C7 20  
55C8 20  
55C9 20  
55CA 20  
55CB 20  
55CC 20  
55CD 00  
55CE 45  
EASIEST)  
55CF 4E  
55D0 54  
55D1 45  
55D2 52  
55D3 20  
55D4 31  
55D5 2D  
55D6 39  
55D7 20  
55D8 46  
55D9 4F  
55DA 52  
55DB 20  
55DC 53  
55DD 4B  
55DE 49  
55DF 4C  
55E0 4C  
55E1 20  
55E2 4C  
55E3 45  
55E4 56  
55E5 45  
55E6 4C  
55E7 20  
55E8 28  
55E9 39  
55EA 20  
55EB 49  
55EC 53  
55ED 20  
55EE 45  
55EF 41

05560           DEFB       0  
05570 LVLMSG   DEFM       'ENTER 1-9 FOR SKILL LEVEL (9 IS



# FOLLOW THE BOUNCING BALL Source Listing

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55F0 53
55F1 49
55F2 45
55F3 53
55F4 54
55F5 29
55F6 00      05580          DEFB      0
              05590 ;
              05600 ; VARIABLE STORAGE AREA
              05610 ;
0001          05620 X          DEFS      1
0001          05630 Y          DEFS      1
0001          05640 XOLD       DEFS      1
0001          05650 YOLD       DEFS      1
0001          05660 XTEMP      DEFS      1
0001          05670 YTEMP      DEFS      1
0001          05680 XDIRXN     DEFS      1
0001          05690 XDELTA     DEFS      1
0001          05700 XCOUNT     DEFS      1
0001          05710 YDIRXN     DEFS      1
0001          05720 YDELTA     DEFS      1
0001          05730 YCOUNT     DEFS      1
0001          05740 ROW        DEFS      1
0001          05750 MODROW      DEFS      1
0001          05760 COLUMN      DEFS      1
0001          05770 MODCOL      DEFS      1
5607 36      05780 PADLX       DEFB      XHIGH-XLOW<-1-PDLHLF
0001          05790 POSVAL      DEFS      1
0002          05800 ADDR        DEFS      2
0002          05810 SCORE       DEFS      2
560D 0000    05820 SPEED       DEFW      0
5200          05830          END      BOUNCE
00000 Total Errors

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## Appendix A

### Menus for Audio Lessons

For your convenience, here are the menus for the display programs. These are the same as you will see when you load a particular display module and depress the <M> key. Although these are provided, I strongly suggest that you begin with the first lesson and continue in numerical order. This listing should be most helpful to you in your review after one pass through the entire course.

#### SESSIONS 1 and 2

- A) Binary Numbering System
- B) Octal Representation
- C) Hexadecimal Representation
- D) Binary Addition
- E) Two's Complement
- F) Arithmetic Flags
- G) Boolean Operators
- H) Flags and the Boolean Operators
- I) \*\*\* SESSION 2 \*\*\*
- J) Available Resources
- K) Z80 Registers
- L) Assembly Language Format

#### SESSIONS 3 and 4

- A) 8-Bit Load Instructions
- B) Overview of 8-Bit Load Group
- C) 16-Bit Load Instructions
- D) Overview of 16-Bit Load Group
- E) \*\*\* SESSION 4 \*\*\*
- F) Interrupts
- G) 8-Bit Arithmetic & Logical Group
- H) 16-Bit Arithmetic Group

#### SESSIONS 5 and 6

- A) Jumps
- B) Calls and Returns
- C) Rotate & Shift Group
- D) Bit Set, Reset, and Test Group
- E) Input and Output Group
- F) Exchange Group
- G) Block Transfer & Search Group

SESSIONS 5 and 6, Continued

- H) \*\*\* SESSION 6 \*\*\*
- I) Assembler Pseudo Opcodes
- J) QDMTST Overview
- K) Equates and Data Storage Handling
- L) QDMTST Initialization Section & Test Loop

SESSIONS 7 and 8

- A) QDMTST Error Handling Routine
- B) TV Routine
- C) Miscellaneous Display Routines
- D) Automatic Handling of Starting Address for Testing
- E) \*\*\* SESSION 8 \*\*\*
- F) KBTVMOD Overview
- G) KBDTVMOD Equates and Data Storage Requirements
- H) KBDTVMOD Set-up Routine
- I) Routine to get Printer Parameters
- J) Keyboard Modification Routine

SESSIONS 9 and 10

- A) Video Modification Routine
- B) Printer Routines
- C) Message Output Routine
- D) GETNUM Routine
- E) FORMS Routine
- F) Bottom-of-Page Routine
- G) \*\*\* SESSION 10 \*\*\*
- H) Software Development
- I) Principles of Program Design
- J) Approaches to Program Design
- K) Common Errors in Assembly Language Programming
- L) Debugging Considerations



## **Appendix B**

# **SUMMARY OF Z80 INSTRUCTIONS AND EXECUTION TIMES**

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Instruction	C	Z	P/V	S	N	H	Comments
ADD s; ADC s	†	†	V	†	0	†	8-bit add or add with carry
SUB s; SBC s, CP s, NEG	†	†	V	†	1	†	8-bit subtract, subtract with carry, compare and negate accumulator
AND s	0	†	P	†	0	1	} Logical operations
OR s; XOR x	0	†	P	†	0	0	
INC s	•	†	V	†	0	†	8-bit increment
DEC s	•	†	V	†	1	†	8-bit decrement
ADD DD, SS	†	•	•	•	0	X	16-bit add
ADC HL, SS	†	†	V	†	0	X	16-bit add with carry
SBC HL, SS	†	†	V	†	1	X	16-bit subtract with carry
RLA; RLCA, RRA, RRCA	†	•	•	•	0	0	Rotate accumulator
RL s; RLC s; RR s; RRC s	†	†	P	†	0	0	Rotate and shift location s
SLA s; SRA s; SRL s							
RLD, RRD	•	†	P	†	0	0	Rotate digit left and right
DAA	†	†	P	†	•	†	Decimal adjust accumulator
CPL	•	•	•	•	1	1	Complement accumulator
SCF	1	•	•	•	0	0	Set carry
CCF	†	•	•	•	0	X	Complement carry
IN r, (C)	•	†	P	†	0	0	Input register indirect
INI; IND; OUTI; OUTD	•	†	X	X	1	X	} Block input and output
INIR; INDR; OTIR; OTDR	•	1	X	X	1	X	
LDI, LDD	•	X	†	X	0	0	} Block transfer instructions
LDIR, LDDR	•	X	0	X	0	0	
CPI, CPIR, CPD, CPDR	•	†	†	X	1	X	} Block search instructions Z = 1 if A = (HL), otherwise Z = 0 P/V = 1 if BC ≠ 0, otherwise P/V = 0
LD A, I; LD A, R	•	†	IFF	†	0	0	The content of the interrupt enable flip-flop (IFF) is copied into the P/V flag
BIT b, s	•	†	X	X	0	1	The state of bit b of location s is copied into the Z flag

The following notation is used in this table:

Symbol	Operation
C	Carry/link flag. C=1 if the operation produced a carry from the MSB of the operand or result.
Z	Zero flag. Z=1 if the result of the operation is zero.
S	Sign flag. S=1 if the MSB of the result is one.
P/V	Parity or overflow flag. Parity (P) and overflow (V) share the same flag. Logical operations affect this flag with the parity of the result while arithmetic operations affect this flag with the overflow of the result. If P/V holds parity, P/V=1 if the result of the operation is even, P/V=0 if result is odd. If P/V holds overflow, P/V=1 if the result of the operation produced an overflow.
H	Half-carry flag. H=1 if the add or subtract operation produced a carry into or borrow from into bit 4 of the accumulator.
N	Add/Subtract flag. N=1 if the previous operation was a subtract.
	H and N flags are used in conjunction with the decimal adjust instruction (DAA) to properly correct the result into packed BCD format following addition or subtraction using operands with packed BCD format.
†	The flag is affected according to the result of the operation.
•	The flag is unchanged by the operation.
0	The flag is reset by the operation.
1	The flag is set by the operation.
X	The flag is a "don't care."
V	P/V flag affected according to the overflow result of the operation.
P	P/V flag affected according to the parity result of the operation.
r	Any one of the CPU registers A, B, C, D, E, H, L.
s	Any 8-bit location for all the addressing modes allowed for the particular instruction.
ss	Any 16-bit location for all the addressing modes allowed for that instruction.
ii	Any one of the two index registers IX or IY.
R	Refresh counter.
n	8-bit value in range <0, 255>
nn	16-bit value in range <0, 65535>



8-bit  
loads

No. Flags are affected!

clock cycles,  
each about 1/2 μs

Mnemonic	Symbolic Operation	Flags						OP-Code			No. of Bytes	No. of M Cycles	No. of T Cycles	Comments	
		C	Z	P/V	S	N	H	76	543	210					
LD r, r'	r ← r'	•	•	•	•	•	•	01	r	r'	1	1	4	r, r'	Reg.
LD r, n	r ← n	•	•	•	•	•	•	00	r	110	2	2	7	000	B
									n	→				001	C
LD r, (HL)	r ← (HL)	•	•	•	•	•	•	01	r	110	1	2	7	010	D
LD r, (IX+d)	r ← (IX+d)	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	011	101	3	5	19	011	E
									r	110				100	H
									d	→				101	L
LD r, (IY+d)	r ← (IY+d)	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	111	101	3	5	19	111	A
									r	110					
									d	→					
LD (HL), r	(HL) ← r	•	•	•	•	•	•	01	110	r	1	2	7		
LD (IX+d), r	(IX+d) ← r	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	011	101	3	5	19		
									110	r					
									d	→					
LD (IY+d), r	(IY+d) ← r	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	111	101	3	5	19		
									110	r					
									d	→					
LD (HL), n	(HL) ← n	•	•	•	•	•	•	00	110	110	2	3	10		
									n	→					
LD (IX+d), n	(IX+d) ← n	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	011	101	4	5	19		
									110	110					
									d	→					
									n	→					
LD (IY+d), n	(IY+d) ← n	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	111	101	4	5	19		
									110	110					
									d	→					
									n	→					
LD A, (BC)	A ← (BC)	•	•	•	•	•	•	00	001	010	1	2	7		
LD A, (DE)	A ← (DE)	•	•	•	•	•	•	00	011	010	1	2	7		
LD A, (nn)	A ← (nn)	•	•	•	•	•	•	00	111	010	3	4	13		
									n	→					
									n	→					
LD (BC), A	(BC) ← A	•	•	•	•	•	•	00	000	010	1	2	7		
LD (DE), A	(DE) ← A	•	•	•	•	•	•	00	010	010	1	2	7		
LD (nn), A	(nn) ← A	•	•	•	•	•	•	00	110	010	3	4	13		
									n	→					
									n	→					
LD A, I	A ← I	•	‡	IFF	‡	0	0	11	101	101	2	2	9		
									010	111					
LD A, R	A ← R	•	‡	IFF	‡	0	0	11	101	101	2	2	9		
									011	111					
LD I, A	I ← A	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	101	101	2	2	9		
									000	111					
LD R, A	R ← A	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	101	101	2	2	9		
									001	111					

Notes: r, r' means any of the registers A, B, C, D, E, H, L

IFF the content of the interrupt enable flip-flop (IFF) is copied into the P/V flag

Flag Notation: • = flag not affected, 0 = flag reset, 1 = flag set, X = flag is unknown,

‡ = flag is affected according to the result of the operation.

16 bit  
loads

No flags affected!

Mnemonic	Symbolic Operation	Flags						Op-Code 76 543 210	No. of Bytes	No. of M Cycles	No. of T States	Comments
		C	Z	P	S	N	H					
LD dd, nn	dd ← nn	•	•	•	•	•	•	00 dd0 001	3	3	10	dd Fair
								← n →				00 BC
								← n →				01 DE
LD IX, nn	IX ← nn	•	•	•	•	•	•	11 011 101	4	4	14	10 HL
								00 100 001				11 SP
								← n →				
								← n →				
LD IY, nn	IY ← nn	•	•	•	•	•	•	11 111 101	4	4	14	
								00 100 001				
								← n →				
								← n →				
LD HL, (nn)	H ← (nn+1) L ← (nn)	•	•	•	•	•	•	00 101 010	3	5	16	
								← n →				
								← n →				
LD dd, (nn)	dd <sub>H</sub> ← (nn+1) dd <sub>L</sub> ← (nn)	•	•	•	•	•	•	11 101 101	4	6	20	
								01 dd1 011				
								← n →				
								← n →				
LD IX, (nn)	IX <sub>H</sub> ← (nn+1) IX <sub>L</sub> ← (nn)	•	•	•	•	•	•	11 011 101	4	6	20	
								00 101 010				
								← n →				
								← n →				
LD IY, (nn)	IY <sub>H</sub> ← (nn+1) IY <sub>L</sub> ← (nn)	•	•	•	•	•	•	11 111 010	4	6	20	
								00 101 010				
								← n →				
								← n →				
LD (nn), HL	(nn+1) ← H (nn) ← L	•	•	•	•	•	•	00 100 010	3	5	16	
								← n →				
								← n →				
LD (nn), dd	(nn+1) ← dd <sub>H</sub> (nn) ← dd <sub>L</sub>	•	•	•	•	•	•	11 101 101	4	6	20	
								01 dd0 011				
								← n →				
								← n →				
LD (nn), IX	(nn+1) ← IX <sub>H</sub> (nn) ← IX <sub>L</sub>	•	•	•	•	•	•	11 011 101	4	6	20	
								00 100 010				
								← n →				
								← n →				
LD (nn), IY	(nn+1) ← IY <sub>H</sub> (nn) ← IY <sub>L</sub>	•	•	•	•	•	•	11 111 101	4	6	20	
								00 100 010				
								← n →				
								← n →				
LD SP, HL	SP ← HL	•	•	•	•	•	•	11 111 001	1	1	6	
LD SP, IX	SP ← IX	•	•	•	•	•	•	11 011 101	2	2	10	
								11 111 001				
LD SP, IY	SP ← IY	•	•	•	•	•	•	11 111 101	2	2	10	
								11 111 001				qq Pair
PUSH qq	(SP-2) ← qq <sub>L</sub> (SP-1) ← qq <sub>H</sub>	•	•	•	•	•	•	11 qq0 101	1	3	11	00 BC
												01 DE
PUSH IX	(SP-2) ← IX <sub>L</sub> (SP-1) ← IX <sub>H</sub>	•	•	•	•	•	•	11 011 101	2	4	15	10 HL
								11 100 101				11 AF
PUSH IY	(SP-2) ← IY <sub>L</sub> (SP-1) ← IY <sub>H</sub>	•	•	•	•	•	•	11 111 101	2	4	15	
								11 100 101				
POP qq	qq <sub>H</sub> ← (SP+1) qq <sub>L</sub> ← (SP)	•	•	•	•	•	•	11 qq0 001	1	3	10	
POP IX	IX <sub>H</sub> ← (SP+1) IX <sub>L</sub> ← (SP)	•	•	•	•	•	•	11 011 101	2	4	14	
								11 100 001				
POP IY	IY <sub>H</sub> ← (SP+1) IY <sub>L</sub> ← (SP)	•	•	•	•	•	•	11 111 101	2	4	14	
								11 100 001				

Notes: dd is any of the register pairs BC, DE, HL, SP  
 qq is any of the register pairs AF, BC, DE, HL  
 (PAIR)<sub>H</sub>, (PAIR)<sub>L</sub> refer to high order and low order eight bits of the register pair respectively.  
 E.g. BC<sub>L</sub> = C, AF<sub>H</sub> = A

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		C	Z	P/V	S	N	H	76	543	210				
EX DE, HL	DE ← HL	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	101	011	1	1	4	Register bank and auxiliary register bank exchange
EX AF, AF'	AF ← AF'	•	•	•	•	•	•	00	001	000	1	1	4	
EXX	$\begin{pmatrix} BC' \\ DE \\ HL \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} BC \\ DE' \\ HL' \end{pmatrix}$	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	011	001	1	1	4	
EX (SP), HL	H ← (SP+1) L ← (SP)	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	100	011	1	5	19	
EX (SP), IX	IX <sub>H</sub> ← (SP+1) IX <sub>L</sub> ← (SP)	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	011	101	2	6	23	
EX (SP), IY	IY <sub>H</sub> ← (SP+1) IY <sub>L</sub> ← (SP)	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	111	101	2	6	23	Block transfer
LDI	(DE) ← (HL)	•	•	①	•	0	0	11	101	101	2	4	16	
	DE ← DE+1							10	100	000				
	HL ← HL+1													
	BC' ← BC'-1													
LDIR	(DE) ← (HL)	•	•	0	•	0	0	11	101	101	2	5	21	
	DE ← DE+1							10	110	000	2	4	16	
	HL ← HL+1													
	BC' ← BC'-1 Repeat until BC' = 0													
LDD	(DE) ← (HL)	•	•	①	•	0	0	11	101	101	2	4	16	
	DE ← DE-1							10	101	000				
	HL ← HL-1													
	BC' ← BC'-1													
LDDR	(DE) ← (HL)	•	•	0	•	0	0	11	101	101	2	5	21	
	DE ← DE-1							10	111	000	2	4	16	
	HL ← HL-1													
	BC' ← BC'-1 Repeat until BC' = 0													
CPI	A ← (HL)	•	②	①	•	1	•	11	101	101	2	4	16	Search
	HL ← HL+1							10	100	001				
	BC' ← BC'-1													
CPIR	A ← (HL)	•	②	①	•	1	•	11	101	101	2	5	21	
	HL ← HL+1							10	110	001	2	4	16	
	BC' ← BC'-1													
	Repeat until A = (HL) or BC' = 0													
CPD	A ← (HL)	•	②	①	•	1	•	11	101	101	2	4	16	
	HL ← HL-1							10	101	001				
	BC' ← BC'-1													
CPDR	A ← (HL)	•	②	①	•	1	•	11	101	101	2	5	21	
	HL ← HL-1							10	111	001	2	4	16	
	BC' ← BC'-1													
	Repeat until A = (HL) or BC' = 0													

Notes: ① P/V flag is 0 if the result of BC'-1 = 0, otherwise P/V = 1  
 ② Z flag is 1 if A = (HL), otherwise Z = 0.

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		C	Z	P/V	S	N	H	76	543	210				
ADD r	$A \leftarrow A + r$	†	†	V	†	0	†	10	000	r	1	1	4	r Reg.
ADD n	$A \leftarrow A + n$	†	†	V	†	0	†	11	000	110	2	2	7	000 B
										$\leftarrow n \rightarrow$				001 C
ADD (HL)	$A \leftarrow A + (HL)$	†	†	V	†	0	†	10	000	110	1	2	7	010 D
ADD (IX+d)	$A \leftarrow A + (IX+d)$	†	†	V	†	0	†	11	011	101	3	5	19	011 E
								10	000	110				100 H
										$\leftarrow d \rightarrow$				101 L
ADD (IY+d)	$A \leftarrow A + (IY+d)$	†	†	V	†	0	†	11	111	101	3	5	19	111 A
								10	000	110				
										$\leftarrow d \rightarrow$				
ADC s	$A \leftarrow A + s + CY$	†	†	V	†	0	†		001					s is any of r, n,
SUB s	$A \leftarrow A - s$	†	†	V	†	1	†		010					(HL), (IX+d),
SBC s	$A \leftarrow A - s - CY$	†	†	V	†	1	†		011					(IY+d) as shown for
AND s	$A \leftarrow A \wedge s$	0	†	P	†	1	†		100					ADD instruction
OR s	$A \leftarrow A \vee s$	0	†	P	†	0	†		110					The indicated bits
XOR s	$A \leftarrow A \oplus s$	0	†	P	†	0	†		101					replace the 000 in
CP s	$A - s$	†	†	V	†	1	†		111					the ADD set above.
INC r	$r \leftarrow r + 1$	•	†	V	†	0	†	00	r	100	1	1	4	
INC (HL)	$(HL) \leftarrow (HL) + 1$	•	†	V	†	0	†	00	110	100	1	3	11	
INC (IX+d)	$(IX+d) \leftarrow (IX+d) + 1$	•	†	V	†	0	†	11	011	101	3	6	23	
								00	110	100				
										$\leftarrow d \rightarrow$				
INC (IY+d)	$(IY+d) \leftarrow (IY+d) + 1$	•	†	V	†	0	†	11	111	101	3	6	23	
								00	110	100				
										$\leftarrow d \rightarrow$				
DEC d	$d \leftarrow d - 1$	•	†	V	†	1	†			101				d is any of r, (HL),
														(IX+d), (IY+d) as
														shown for INC.
														Same format and
														states as INC.
														Replace 100 with
														101 in OP code.

**Notes:** The V symbol in the P/V flag column indicates that the P/V flag contains the overflow of the result of the operation. Similarly the P symbol indicates parity. V = 1 means overflow, V = 0 means not overflow. P = 1 means parity of the result is even, P = 0 means parity of the result is odd.

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		C	Z	P	V	S	N	H	76	543					210
DAA	Converts acc. content into packed BCD following add or subtract with packed BCD operands	‡	‡	P	‡	•	‡		00	100	111	1	1	4	Decimal adjust accumulator
CPL	$A \leftarrow \bar{A}$	•	•	•	•	1	1		00	101	111	1	1	4	Complement accumulator (one's complement)
NEG	$A \leftarrow \bar{A} + 1$	‡	‡	V	‡	1	‡		11	101	101	2	2	8	Negate acc. (two's complement)
CCF	$CY \leftarrow \overline{CY}$	‡	•	•	•	0	X		00	111	111	1	1	4	Complement carry flag
SCF	$CY \leftarrow 1$	1	•	•	•	0	0		00	110	111	1	1	4	Set carry flag
NOP	No operation	•	•	•	•	•	•		00	000	000	1	1	4	
HALT	CPU halted	•	•	•	•	•	•		01	110	110	1	1	4	
DI	$IFF \leftarrow 0$	•	•	•	•	•	•		11	110	011	1	1	4	
EI	$IFF \leftarrow 1$	•	•	•	•	•	•		11	111	011	1	1	4	
IM 0	Set interrupt mode 0	•	•	•	•	•	•		11	101	101	2	2	8	
IM 1	Set interrupt mode 1	•	•	•	•	•	•		11	101	101	2	2	8	
IM2	Set interrupt mode 2	•	•	•	•	•	•		11	101	101	2	2	8	
									01	011	110				

Notes: IFF indicates the interrupt enable flip-flop  
CY indicates the carry flip-flop.

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disable } interrupt  
enable }

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		C	Z	P/V	S	N	H	76	543	210				
ADD HL, ss	HL ← HL + ss	†	•	•	•	0	X	00	ss1	001	1	3	11	ss Reg. 00 BC 01 DE 10 HL 11 SP
ADC HL, ss	HL ← HL + ss + CY	†	†	V	†	0	X	11	101	101	2	4	15	
SBC HL, ss	HL ← HL - ss - CY	†	†	V	†	1	X	11	101	101	2	4	15	
ADD IX, pp	IX ← IX + pp	†	•	•	•	0	X	11	011	101	2	4	15	pp Reg. 00 BC 01 DE 10 IX 11 SP
ADD IY, rr	IY ← IY + rr	†	•	•	•	0	X	11	111	101	2	4	15	rr Reg. 00 BC 01 DE 10 IY 11 SP
INC ss	ss ← ss + 1	•	•	•	•	•	•	00	ss0	011	1	1	6	
INC IX	IX ← IX + 1	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	011	101	2	2	10	
INC IY	IY ← IY + 1	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	111	101	2	2	10	
DEC ss	ss ← ss - 1	•	•	•	•	•	•	00	ss1	011	1	1	6	
DEC IX	IX ← IX - 1	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	011	101	2	2	10	
DEC IY	IY ← IY - 1	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	111	101	2	2	10	

Notes: ss is any of the register pairs BC, DE, HL, SP  
pp is any of the register pairs BC, DE, IX, SP  
rr is any of the register pairs BC, DE, IY, SP.

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		C	Z	P/V	S	N	H	76	543	210				
RLCA		†	•	•	•	0	0	00	000	111	1	1	4	Rotate left circular accumulator
RLA		†	•	•	•	0	0	00	010	111	1	1	4	Rotate left accumulator
RRCA		†	•	•	•	0	0	00	001	111	1	1	4	Rotate right circular accumulator
RRA		†	•	•	•	0	0	00	011	111	1	1	4	Rotate right accumulator
RLC r		†	†	P	†	0	0	11	001	011	2	2	8	Rotate left circular register r
RLC (HL)		†	†	P	†	0	0	11	001	011	2	4	15	r Reg.
RLC (IX+d)		†	†	P	†	0	0	00	000	110	4	6	23	000 B
								11	011	101				001 C
								11	001	011				010 D
								11	001	011				011 E
RLC (IY+d)		†	†	P	†	0	0	00	000	110	4	6	23	100 H
								11	111	101				101 L
								11	001	011				111 A
RL s		†	†	P	†	0	0	00	010					Instruction format and states are as shown for RLC,s. To form new OP-code replace 000 of RLC,s with shown code
RRC s		†	†	P	†	0	0	00	001					
RR s		†	†	P	†	0	0	00	011					
SLA s		†	†	P	†	0	0	00	100					
SRA s		†	†	P	†	0	0	00	101					
SRL s		†	†	P	†	0	0	00	111					
RLD		•	†	P	†	0	0	11	101	101	2	5	18	Rotate digit left and right between the accumulator and location (HL). The content of the upper half of the accumulator is unaffected
RRD		•	†	P	†	0	0	11	101	101	2	5	18	

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		C	Z	P/V	S	N	H	76	543	210												
BIT b, r	$Z \leftarrow \overline{T}_b$	•	‡	X	X	0	1	11	001	011	2	2	8	r	Reg.							
BIT b, (HL)	$Z \leftarrow \overline{(HL)}_b$	•	‡	X	X	0	1	01	b	r	2	3	12	000	B							
								11	001	011				001	C							
								01	b	110				010	D							
BIT b, (IX+d)	$Z \leftarrow \overline{(IX+d)}_b$	•	‡	X	X	0	1	11	011	101	4	5	20	011	E							
								11	001	011				100	H							
								$\leftarrow d \rightarrow$						101	L							
								01	b	110				111	A							
BIT b, (IY+d)	$Z \leftarrow \overline{(IY+d)}_b$	•	‡	X	X	0	1	11	111	101	4	5	20	b	Bit Tested							
								11	001	011				000	0							
								$\leftarrow d \rightarrow$						001	1							
								01	b	110				010	2							
								$\leftarrow d \rightarrow$						011	3							
								$\leftarrow d \rightarrow$						100	4							
SET b, r	$r_b \leftarrow 1$	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	001	011	2	2	8	b	7							
								11	b	r												
								11	001	011						2	4	15				
								11	b	110												
SET b, (IX+d)	$(IX+d)_b \leftarrow 1$	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	011	101	4	6	23			b	7					
								11	001	011												
								$\leftarrow d \rightarrow$														
SET b, (IY+d)	$(IY+d)_b \leftarrow 1$	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	b	110	4	6	23					b	7			
								11	111	101												
								11	001	011												
								$\leftarrow d \rightarrow$														
RES b, s	$s_b \leftarrow 0$ $s = r, (HL), (IX+d), (IY+d)$	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	b	110												
								10														
To form new OP-code replace 11 of SET b,s with 10. Flags and time states for SET instruction																						

Notes: The notation  $s_b$  indicates bit b (0 to 7) or location s.

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		C	Z	P/V	S	N	H	76	543	210				
JP nn	PC ← nn	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	000	011	3	3	10	
								←	n	→				
								←	n	→				
JP cc, nn	If condition cc is true PC ← nn, otherwise continue	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	cc	010	3	3	10	cc    Condition
								000						NZ non zero
								001						Z zero
								010						NC non carry
								011						C carry
								100						PO parity odd
								101						PE parity even
								110						P sign positive
								111						M sign negative
JR e	PC ← PC + e	•	•	•	•	•	•	00	011	000	2	3	12	
								←	e-2	→				
JR C, e	If C = 0, continue	•	•	•	•	•	•	00	111	000	2	2	7	If condition not met
								←	e-2	→				
	If C = 1, PC ← PC + e										2	3	12	If condition is met
JR NC, e	If C = 1, continue	•	•	•	•	•	•	00	110	000	2	2	7	If condition not met
								←	e-2	→				
	If C = 0, PC ← PC + e										2	3	12	If condition is met
JR Z, e	If Z = 0 continue	•	•	•	•	•	•	00	101	000	2	2	7	If condition not met
								←	e-2	→				
	If Z = 1, PC ← PC + e										2	3	12	If condition is met
JR NZ, e	If Z = 1, continue	•	•	•	•	•	•	00	100	000	2	2	7	If condition not met
								←	e-2	→				
	If Z = 0, PC ← PC + e										2	3	12	If condition met
JP (HL)	PC ← HL	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	101	001	1	1	4	
JP (IX)	PC ← IX	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	011	101	2	2	8	
								11	101	001				
JP (IY)	PC ← IY	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	111	101	2	2	8	
								11	101	001				
DJNZ, e	B ← B-1	•	•	•	•	•	•	00	010	000	2	2	8	If B = 0
	If B = 0, continue							←	e-2	→				
	If B ≠ 0, PC ← PC + e										2	3	13	If B ≠ 0

Notes: e represents the extension in the relative addressing mode.  
e is a signed two's complement number in the range <-126, 129>  
e-2 in the op-code provides an effective address of pc + e as PC is incremented by 2 prior to the addition of e.

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CALL nn	(SP-1) $\leftarrow$ PC <sub>H</sub> (SP-2) $\leftarrow$ PC <sub>L</sub> PC $\leftarrow$ nn	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	001	101		3	5	17																			
CALL cc, nn	If condition cc is false continue, otherwise same as CALL nn	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	cc	100	$\leftarrow$ n $\rightarrow$	3	3	10	If cc is false																		
											$\leftarrow$ n $\rightarrow$	3	5	17	If cc is true																		
RET	PC <sub>L</sub> $\leftarrow$ (SP) PC <sub>H</sub> $\leftarrow$ (SP+1)	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	001	001		1	3	10																			
RET cc	If condition cc is false continue, otherwise same as RET	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	cc	000		1	1	5	If cc is false																		
												1	3	11	If cc is true																		
RETI	Return from interrupt	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	101	101		2	4	14																			
RETN	Return from non maskable interrupt	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	101	101		2	4	14																			
RST p	(SP-1) $\leftarrow$ PC <sub>H</sub> (SP-2) $\leftarrow$ PC <sub>L</sub> PC <sub>H</sub> $\leftarrow$ 0 PC <sub>L</sub> $\leftarrow$ P	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	t	111		1	3	11																			
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IN A, n	$A \leftarrow (n)$	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	011	011	2	3	10	n to $A_0 \sim A_7$ Acc to $A_8 \sim A_{15}$
IN r, (C)	$r \leftarrow (C)$ if r = 110 only the flags will be affected	•	‡	P	‡	0	‡	11	101	101	2	3	11	C to $A_0 \sim A_7$ B to $A_8 \sim A_{15}$
INI	(HL) $\leftarrow$ (C)	•	①	X	X	1	X	11	101	101	2	4	15	C to $A_0 \sim A_7$ B to $A_8 \sim A_{15}$
	$B \leftarrow B - 1$							10	100	010				
	$HL \leftarrow HL + 1$													
INIR	(HL) $\leftarrow$ (C)	•	1	X	X	1	X	11	101	101	2	5 (If B $\neq$ 0)	20	C to $A_0 \sim A_7$ B to $A_8 \sim A_{15}$
	$B \leftarrow B - 1$							10	110	010		4 (If B = 0)	15	
	$HL \leftarrow HL + 1$ Repeat until B = 0										2			
IND	(HL) $\leftarrow$ (C)	•	①	X	X	1	X	11	101	101	2	4	15	C to $A_0 \sim A_7$ B to $A_8 \sim A_{15}$
	$B \leftarrow B - 1$							10	101	010				
	$HL \leftarrow HL - 1$													
INDR	(HL) $\leftarrow$ (C)	•	1	X	X	1	X	11	101	101	2	5 (If B $\neq$ 0)	20	C to $A_0 \sim A_7$ B to $A_8 \sim A_{15}$
	$B \leftarrow B - 1$							10	111	010		4 (If B = 0)	15	
	$HL \leftarrow HL - 1$ Repeat until B = 0										2			
OUT n, A	$(n) \leftarrow A$	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	010	011	2	3	11	n to $A_0 \sim A_7$ Acc to $A_8 \sim A_{15}$
OUT (C), r	$(C) \leftarrow r$	•	•	•	•	•	•	11	101	101	2	3	12	C to $A_0 \sim A_7$ B to $A_8 \sim A_{15}$
OUTI	(C) $\leftarrow$ (HL)	•	①	X	X	1	X	11	101	101	2	4	15	C to $A_0 \sim A_7$ B to $A_8 \sim A_{15}$
	$B \leftarrow B - 1$							10	100	011				
	$HL \leftarrow HL + 1$													
OTIR	(C) $\leftarrow$ (HL)	•	1	X	X	1	X	11	101	101	2	5 (If B $\neq$ 0)	20	C to $A_0 \sim A_7$ B to $A_8 \sim A_{15}$
	$B \leftarrow B - 1$							10	110	011		4 (If B = 0)	15	
	$HL \leftarrow HL + 1$ Repeat until B = 0										2			
OUTD	(C) $\leftarrow$ (HL)	•	①	X	X	1	X	11	101	101	2	4	15	C to $A_0 \sim A_7$ B to $A_8 \sim A_{15}$
	$B \leftarrow B - 1$							10	101	011				
	$HL \leftarrow HL - 1$													
OTDR	(C) $\leftarrow$ (HL)	•	1	X	X	1	X	11	101	101	2	5 (If B $\neq$ 0)	20	C to $A_0 \sim A_7$ B to $A_8 \sim A_{15}$
	$B \leftarrow B - 1$							10	111	011		4 (If B = 0)	15	
	$HL \leftarrow HL - 1$ Repeat until B = 0										2			

Notes: ① If the result of B - 1 is zero the Z flag is set, otherwise it is reset.

Flag Notation: • = flag not affected, 0 = flag reset, 1 = flag set, X = flag is unknown,  
‡ = flag is affected according to the result of the operation.



## Appendix C

### UNDOCUMENTED Z80 OPCODES

Every microprocessor has some instructions which may work one way on a given chip and quite another way on the next chip off the production line. Although it may be fun to discover these things, I suggest you avoid it altogether. Even if you find a neat instruction which works on your machine, and even though you have no plans to write programs for commercial marketing, you may still be thwarted by something as simple as a trip to the repair shop -- any time the Z80 chip in your machine needs replacement, your programs using those special instructions probably will not work in the same way now. So stay out of this mess, unless the "thrill of the chase" yields enough pleasure to compensate for the inevitable frustration.

This type of "phantom" instruction is not the subject of this chapter! There is a whole set of Z80 instructions which (apparently) are sure to work on every Z80 chip, but have not been publicly documented by Zilog in any of their publications. Although I do not know the reasons for this secrecy, it makes me somewhat uneasy. Prudence forces me to recommend that you check any and all instructions I am about to reveal to you to ascertain that they indeed perform as I describe.

The principal sources of my information about these hidden instructions are two excellent articles which appeared in The Alternate Source (TAS). TAS is a magazine (they are now calling it a "Programmer's Journal") to which you should seriously consider subscribing. The pertinent address information is:

The Alternate Source  
704 North Pennsylvania Ave.  
Lansing, MI 48906  
(517) 482-8270

The specific article references are shown at the end of the text of this chapter. I will use the same mnemonics as shown in the TAS articles to minimize confusion.

The new instructions fall into two main groups:

1. A "shift left and increment" instruction for all general-purpose 8-bit registers and memory pointed to by HL, IX, or IY.
2. A whole set of instructions involving only one of the bytes of IX or IY.



The first group uses the mnemonic "SLS" for "shift left one bit and set the least significant bit (bit 0)". The shift out of bit 7 goes into the carry bit, and sign and parity flags are affected in the expected ways. The net effect of this instruction is a multiplication by 2 and then addition of 1 to the result. The instructions take four clock cycles longer than the corresponding "SLA" instructions on page B-8.

The second group treats the high and low bytes of the index registers separately. In other words, the heretofore "inseparable" index registers can be treated as composed of two 8-bit registers, analogous to the HL register pair. The high byte of IX is called "HX", the low byte is "LX"; for IY, the high byte is "HY" and the low byte is "LY". The machine codes for these instructions are formed by placing a "prefix" byte before the analogous instruction involving the H or L register. This prefix byte is 0DDH for operations involving IX and 0FDH for operations with IY.

For example, to implement

```
ADC    A,HX
```

we could use the following two-instruction sequence:

```
DEFB  0DDH
ADC    A,H
```

Likewise, for the instruction:

```
ADC    A,LY
```

we could substitute:

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DEFB  0FDH
ADC    A,L
```

This pattern should be obvious as you study the table further. Note that neither the H nor the L register can be loaded to/from the "new" registers. Also, instructions such as "LD LX,LY" are not implemented. The timings of all of these new instructions are predictable, since they take four clock cycles more than the analogous instructions for H or L, as shown in Appendix B.

All of the new instructions, in alphabetical order and accompanied by the hex codes, are given beginning on the next page.

TAS REFERENCES

Daniel R. Lunsford, "Undocumented Z-80 Opcodes", TAS Vol. I, No. 6, page 53.

Dennis Bathory Kitsz, "A Manual for Radio Shack's Editor Assembler, Part Three", TAS Issue 13, page 3.

TABLE OF UNDOCUMENTED OPCODES

KEY: d = one-byte expression -128 to +127  
 n = one-byte expression 0 to +255  
 r = A, B, C, D, E, H, L

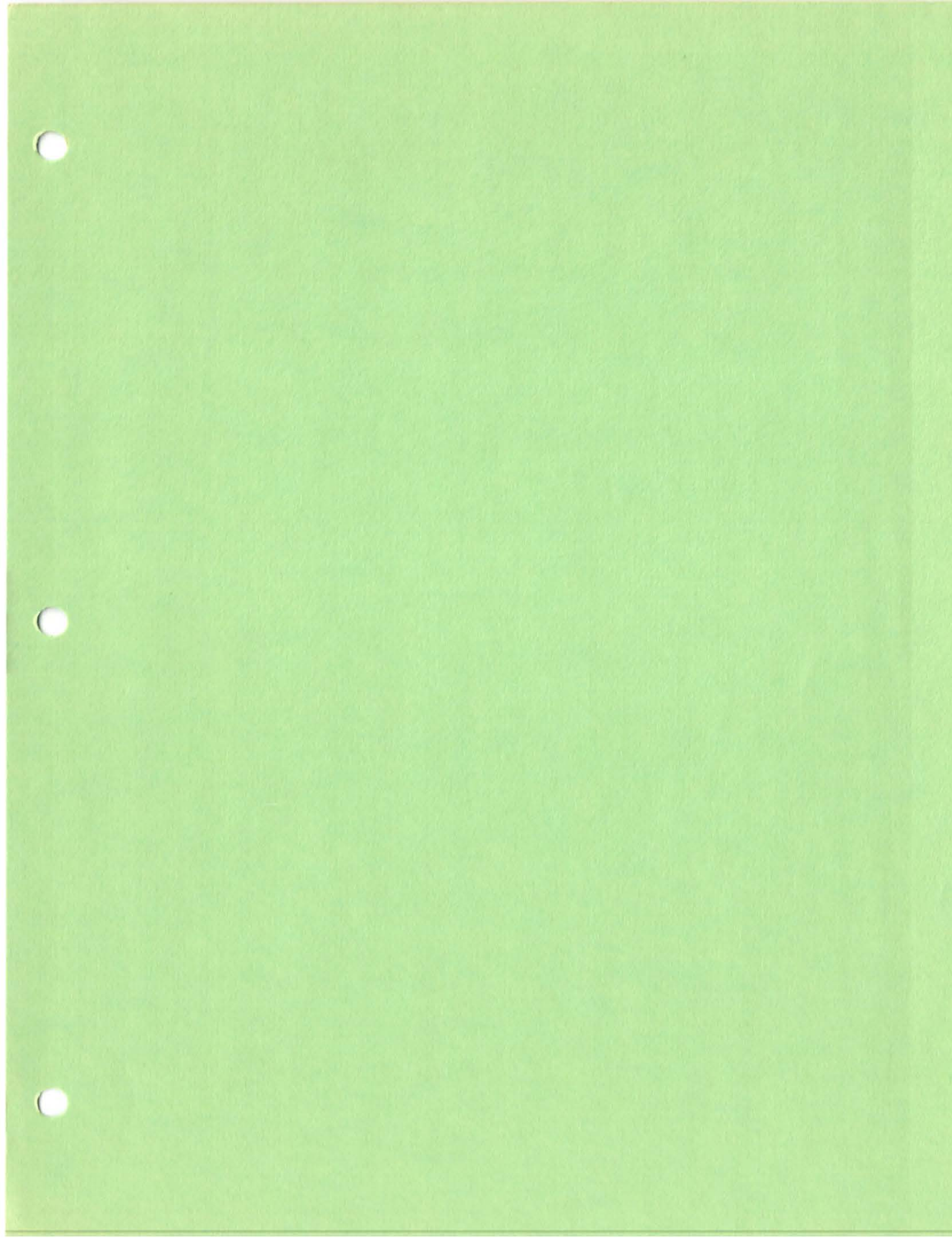
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ADC	A, HX	DEFB 0DDH + ADC	A, H
ADC	A, HY	DEFB 0FDH + ADC	A, H
ADC	A, LX	DEFB 0DDH + ADC	A, L
ADC	A, LY	DEFB 0FDH + ADC	A, L
ADD	A, HX	DEFB 0DDH + ADD	A, H
ADD	A, HY	DEFB 0FDH + ADD	A, H
ADD	A, LX	DEFB 0DDH + ADD	A, L
ADD	A, LY	DEFB 0FDH + ADD	A, L
AND	HX	DEFB 0DDH + AND	H
AND	HY	DEFB 0FDH + AND	H
AND	LX	DEFB 0DDH + AND	L
AND	LY	DEFB 0FDH + AND	L
CP	HX	DEFB 0DDH + CP	H
CP	HY	DEFB 0FDH + CP	H
CP	LX	DEFB 0DDH + CP	L
CP	LY	DEFB 0FDH + CP	L
DEC	HX	DEFB 0DDH + DEC	H
DEC	HY	DEFB 0FDH + DEC	H
DEC	LX	DEFB 0DDH + DEC	L
DEC	LY	DEFB 0FDH + DEC	L
INC	HX	DEFB 0DDH + INC	H
INC	HY	DEFB 0FDH + INC	H
INC	LX	DEFB 0DDH + INC	L
INC	LY	DEFB 0FDH + INC	L
LD	A, HX	DEFB 0DDH + LD	A, H
LD	A, HY	DEFB 0FDH + LD	A, H
LD	A, LX	DEFB 0DDH + LD	A, L
LD	A, LY	DEFB 0FDH + LD	A, L
LD	B, HX	DEFB 0DDH + LD	B, H
LD	B, HY	DEFB 0FDH + LD	B, H
LD	B, LX	DEFB 0DDH + LD	B, L
LD	B, LY	DEFB 0FDH + LD	B, L
LD	C, HX	DEFB 0DDH + LD	C, H
LD	C, HY	DEFB 0FDH + LD	C, H
LD	C, LX	DEFB 0DDH + LD	C, L

LD	C,LY	DEFB 0FDH + LD	C,L
LD	D,HX	DEFB 0DDH + LD	D,H
LD	D,HY	DEFB 0FDH + LD	D,H
LD	D,LX	DEFB 0DDH + LD	D,L
LD	D,LY	DEFB 0FDH + LD	D,L
LD	E,HX	DEFB 0DDH + LD	E,H
LD	E,HY	DEFB 0FDH + LD	E,H
LD	E,LX	DEFB 0DDH + LD	E,L
LD	E,LY	DEFB 0FDH + LD	E,L
LD	HX,LX	DEFB 0DDH + LD	H,L
LD	HX,n	DEFB 0DDH + LD	H,n
LD	HX,r	DEFB 0DDH + LD	H,r
		(except H or L)	
LD	HY,LY	DEFB 0FDH + LD	H,L
LD	HY,n	DEFB 0FDH + LD	H,n
LD	HY,r	DEFB 0FDH + LD	H,r
		(except H or L)	
LD	LX,HX	DEFB 0DDH + LD	L,H
LD	LX,n	DEFB 0DDH + LD	L,n
LD	LX,r	DEFB 0DDH + LD	L,r
		(except H or L)	
LD	LY,HY	DEFB 0FDH + LD	L,H
LD	LY,n	DEFB 0FDH + LD	L,n
LD	LY,r	DEFB 0FDH + LD	L,r
		(except H or L)	
OR	HX	DEFB 0DDH + OR	H
OR	HY	DEFB 0FDH + OR	H
OR	LX	DEFB 0DDH + OR	L
OR	LY	DEFB 0FDH + OR	L
SBC	A,HX	DEFB 0DDH + SBC	A,H
SBC	A,HY	DEFB 0FDH + SBC	A,H
SBC	A,LX	DEFB 0DDH + SBC	A,L
SBC	A,LY	DEFB 0FDH + SBC	A,L
SLS	(HL)	DEFB 0CBH, 36H	
SLS	(IX+d)	DEFB 0DDH, 0CBH, d, 36H	
SLS	(IY+d)	DEFB 0FDH, 0CBH, d, 36H	
SLS	A	DEFB 0CBH, 37H	
SLS	B	DEFB 0CBH, 30H	
SLS	C	DEFB 0CBH, 31H	
SLS	D	DEFB 0CBH, 32H	
SLS	E	DEFB 0CBH, 33H	
SLS	H	DEFB 0CBH, 34H	
SLS	L	DEFB 0CBH, 35H	
SUB	HX	DEFB 0DDH + SUB	H
SUB	HY	DEFB 0FDH + SUB	H
SUB	LX	DEFB 0DDH + SUB	L
SUB	LY	DEFB 0FDH + SUB	L
XOR	HX	DEFB 0DDH + XOR	H
XOR	HY	DEFB 0FDH + XOR	H
XOR	LX	DEFB 0DDH + XOR	L
XOR	LY	DEFB 0FDH + XOR	L





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